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San Francisco Bay Area Chapter

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Annual Business Meeting and Election of Chapter Officers

Survey Consolidation Working Group Report (A part of the Reinventing Government process)

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Agency for Health Care Policy and Research

Ed Hunter

National Center for Health Statistics

The Reinventing Government Part II process (REGO II) is ongoing. Within the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) a major issue being addressed is "Consolidation of Surveys and Development of Data Standards." The goal is the improvement of the analytic capacity of HHS programs, the filling of major data gaps, and the establishment of a survey consolidation framework in which HHS data activities are streamlined and rationalized. A Survey Consolidation Working Group was charge with developing a consensus plan for meeting these objectives. Ross Arnett and Ed Hunter will review the process and conclusions of this group and solicit input from those attending.

Date: Thursday, June 29, 1995

Time: 3:30 - 4:00 Coffee
4:00 - 5:00 Talk

Place: Room 22, Warren Hall
School of Public Health, UC Berkeley
(See map on reverse.)

All attendees are invited to join us afterwards for dinner at a local Chinese restaurant.

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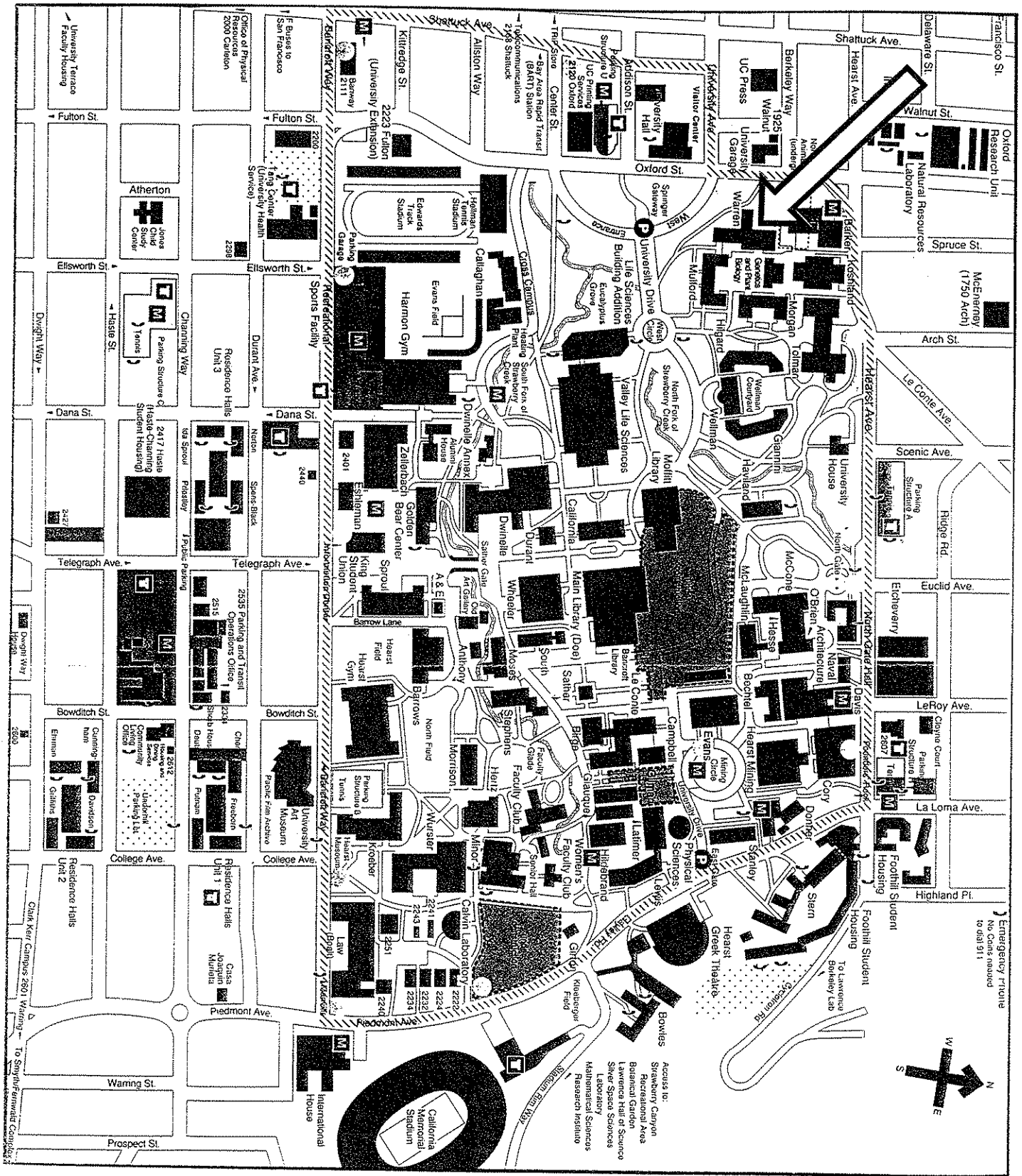
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Election of Chapter Officers

The nominating committee has proposed the following slate of officers for the 1995-1996 academic year:

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These recommendations will be voted on at the business meeting, June 29. As is customary, the president elect will succeed the current president. This year, President Elect Loren Schoof will succeed Rose Ray as chapter president.

June 22 INFORMS Meeting

The Northern California Chapter of INFORMS (Institute for Operations Research and the Management Sciences) will hold a general meeting on June 22 featuring Dr. Scott Schulz of Providian Bancorp. Dr. Schulz will speak on "A Normal Theory for 'Gains Curves' in Direct Mail Advertising."

The meeting will be held at Decision Focus Inc., 650 Castro St., 4th floor, Mountain View; phone: (415) 960-3450. Social hour starts at 5:30 p.m. (appetizers will be served), and the talk is scheduled for 6:30- 7:45 p.m. Cost is \$10 and does not include an optional dinner at a local restaurant following the meeting. Make checks payable to INFORMS and mail to John Ang, Jr., 28 Port Royal Ave., Foster City, CA 94404. Tel: (415) 497-5142.

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Employment Opportunities

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IMS/WNAR Meeting at Stanford


The 1995 meeting of the Western North American Region (WNAR) of the Biometric Society will be held jointly with the Institute of Mathematical Statistics (IMS) at Stanford University June 25-28. The theme of the meeting is "Genetics and Biologic Populations." Highlights of the program include the WNAR President's Invited Address given by Lynne Billard of the University of Georgia. Dr. Billard, who is president of the International Biometrics Society and president-elect of the ASA, will speak on "Modeling and Inference in Plant Disease Spread." The IMS Special Invited Paper will be presented by Alexander P. Korostelev of Wayne State University who will speak on "Large Deviations Probabilities in Nonparametric Model Description." On June 25 a short course will be given by Robert C. Elston and Daniel J. Schaid on "Statistical Methods for Genetic Epidemiology."

For more information on registration, contact Delia Harger, Department of Health Research and Policy, Stanford University School of Medicine, phone: (415) 725-5353, e-mail: delia.harger@forsythe.stanford.edu or Dan Bloch, at (415) 723-7902, or ra.dab@forsythe.stanford.edu.



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