



# Government/National Laboratory Affiliate Update

November 2008

# **Building Addition is Complete!**

At last, (but actually on schedule and within budget) the addition to the NISS/SAMSI building is complete. We took possession on October 27, and the move of SAMSI people into the addition has taken place. On Friday, November 7, in conjunction with the annual meeting of the NISS Board of Trustees, we will hold a ribbon cutting and open house. Be sure to watch the NISS website for photos of the event, and please come to visit this



wonderful new facility. Anyone who comes will receive a personally guided tour from Alan Karr.

# NISS Board of Trustees Affiliates Committee

The committee will meet during the Board meeting, and will discuss NISS-affiliate communications, including the already initiated re-design of the NISS website. They will also discuss clusters of affiliates—what are they, what should they be doing for affiliates, how should they operate?

# Teaser: NISS-NASS Research in Residence Program

Watch the website and other sources, such as **Amstat News**, for the official announcement of a *Cross-Sector Research in Residence Program* operated as a partnership between NISS and the National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS). There will be opportunities for faculty, postdoctorals and graduate students to participate.



## Affiliates Events

**Exploration Workshop on Agent-Based Modeling:** November 20-21, 2008 at NISS. *ARA ELIGIBLE*.

*Details*: http://www.niss.org/affiliates/agent-based modeling200811/abm\_home.html

Exploration Workshop on Financial Risk Modeling and Banking Regulations: February 5-6, 2009, Washington DC. *ARA ELIGIBLE*. **2009 Affiliates Annual Meeting:** Friday, April 24, 2009 in Storrs, CT. The

Department of Statistics at the University of Connecticut is hosting this event. The meeting will be followed on Saturday, April 25, by the 23rd New England Statistics Symposium.

**2010 Affiliates Annual Meeting:** April 2010 in Chicago, IL. The meeting is hosted by SPSS and other organizations.

#### NISS Events

**ITSEW 2009:** The Concept of Total Survey Error—Uses and Abuses. June 14-17, 2009 in Tällberg, Sweden. *ARA ELIGIBLE*.

### **SAMSI** Events

#### **Blackwell-Tapia Conference:**

November 14-15, 2008, at the Radisson Hotel RTP. ARA ELIGIBLE.

*Details:* http://www.samsi.info/workshops/2008Blackwell-Tapia.shtml *Registration and hotel deadline:* October 31, 2008

#### 2008-09 Program on Algebraic Methods in Systems Biology and Statistics:

Workshop on Discrete Models in Systems Biology, December 3-5, 2008 at SAMSI. *ARA ELIGIBLE*.

*Details:* http://www.samsi.info/workshops/2008algebraic-discrete200812.shtml *Registration Deadline:* November 21, 2008

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