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## International news



Visitors from the Institute of Actuaries of Japan stop by the Society of Actuaries library, where research librarian Julie Josiek gives them a tour. Twenty-four actuaries were selected by their employers to spend several weeks in North America, meeting other actuaries and attending lectures on 14 subjects in Washington D.C., Boston, Chicago, and Toronto. Side trips to New York, Niagara Falls, and St. Louis rounded out their cultural tour. Curtis Huntington, chairperson of the Committee on International Relations, and Barbara Choyke, SOA director of Continuing Education, accompanied the group.

## Papers are young actuaries' ticket to IAA

The International Actuarial Association (IAA) will have its 25th International Congress of Actuaries (ICA) in Brussels, Belgium, September 10-15, 1995. To encourage young actuaries to contribute papers to the Congress, the IAA Council will have a contest to select 20 papers submitted by the youngest members of IAA. Contributors must be a member of the IAA for at least a year and be born after September 10, 1960. They must submit a paper on one of four topics of the Congress: (1) modelling of

collective contracts, (2) future strategic objectives for reinsurers, (3) asset liability management in insurance companies, banks, and pension funds, or (4) new problematic of the insurance of industrial risks.

The 20 candidates whose papers are selected will receive a fees waiver for the ICA and a contribution to traveling expenses.

For more information, contact W. James MacGinnitie at his *Directory* address.

## EAAC in Singapore

The Singapore Actuarial Society and the Singapore Insurance Institute are jointly organizing the 7th East-Asian Actuarial Conference with the theme, "The Role of the Actuary in Financial Management."

The conference will be November 30 to December 3, 1993, at the Pan Pacific Singapore. Issues to be explored include the role of the appointed actuary, social security and pension schemes, financial soundness of life insurance products, financial management of non-life insurance, asset management, and cost issues of distribution systems.

Registration fee is \$480 per delegate. For more details, please contact the 7th Annual EAAC Secretariat, c/o Singapore Insurance Institute, 10 Shenton Way, #14-06 MAS Building, Singapore 0207, Telephone: 65-221-2336, Fax: 65-220-6684.

## U. of Melbourne announces position

The University of Melbourne (Australia) has announced a fractional (0.8) position for a GIO Professorial Fellow in Insurance in the Centre for Actuarial Studies, Department of Economics, for a fixed term of five years.

**Qualifications:** Distinguished record of achievement, with experience in research and teaching in a tertiary institution. Strong actuarial and statistical qualifications. Experience in reserving and premium rating for a range of non-life insurance classes. GIO Australia offers the successful applicant consulting work one day a week.

**Application:** For application information, contact the Registrar, The University of Melbourne, Parkville, Victoria, 3052, Australia; telephone John Goodwin: 61-3-344-7935; fax: 61-3-344-5104. For information on the academic aspects of this position, contact Professor David Knox, Actuarial Studies; telephone: 61-3-344-5616; fax: 61-3-344-6255. Applications close on September 30, 1993.



Arthur Tait (right), secretary-general of the Institute of Actuaries in the United Kingdom, looks at recent SOA research reports with members of the research staff: (L-R) Jack Luff, Warren Luckner, and Mark Doherty. Tait spent two days visiting the SOA offices, meeting with department directors and his counterpart, SOA Executive Director John O'Connor. Tait said with this exchange of information, the two organizations can move toward a more common approach to challenges in the profession.