



SOCIETY OF ACTUARIES

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# Capital site for annual meeting

Society members attending the annual meeting on October 25-28, just one week before the Presidential election, will have a front-row seat in the center of the U.S. government — Washington, D.C. As members attend sessions at the Washington Hilton & Towers on "Financial Security Systems in the 21st Century," campaigns will be getting down to the wire. Each candidate will be promoting his party's plan for health care, retirement funding, and other economic issues, all affecting how actuaries practice their profession into the 21st century.

The keynote speaker, John Naisbitt, co-author of the 1990 best-seller *Megatrends 2000*, looks optimistically into the next century, speaking on "The New World Order." He will discuss his belief that a New World Order composed of the Group of Seven — United States, Britain, Germany, Japan, France, Italy, and Canada — is replacing the former two superpowers.

Naisbitt will address other aspects of the New World Order that include the 10 new directions for the 1990s he and Patricia Aburdene wrote about in *Megatrends 2000*:

- Global economic boom, free of any past limits known before the integration of world economies
- Renaissance in the arts, with theaters, museums, and opera replacing sports as society's dominant leisure activity
- Emergence of free market socialism
- Intermingling of cultures and growth of cultural nationalism
- Privatization of the welfare state
- Rise of the Pacific Rim
- Decade of women in leadership
- Promise and dangers from rapid advances in biotechnology
- Religious revival
- Triumph of the individual over the collective

After the keynote address, another general session on "Management Response" will feature corporate chief executives discussing how financial securities businesses can be proactive today as they make plans to guide their companies into the 21st century.

While in the nation's capital, participants and their spouses can enjoy tours of famous monuments, government buildings, Mount Vernon, and Hillwood, the Post mansion.



## Sections celebrate 10th anniversaries

Three Special Interest Sections will be celebrating 10th anniversaries at the Society's annual meeting in October in Washington, D.C.

Two Sections — Individual Life Insurance Section and Annuity Product Development and Life Insurance Company Financial Reporting Section — are planning celebrations during their Section breakfasts.

The Reinsurance Section has planned a festive dinner party from 7 to 10 p.m. on Sunday, October 25, in the Atrium Dining Room at Old Ebbitt Grill. Section members and guests can enjoy visiting while dining in the oldest saloon in Washington. Founded in 1856 as an inn, Old Ebbitt Grill has an interesting history and provides a charming Victorian atmosphere. Details of the dinner have been mailed to Reinsurance Section members. For more information, call Judy Yore, Section Research Coordinator, 708-706-3573.

## Phone survey alert

The Board of Governors has authorized a membership survey for your input on ideas for new and existing programs and to determine your level of awareness, use, and satisfaction with existing membership services.

The survey will be conducted in September by Westat Corporation, a leading survey research organization with clients that include the U.S.

## Meet the Board

The "Meet the Board" session at the annual meeting is a chance for an informal, get-acquainted chat with Society Board members and officers. You can meet Society leaders over breakfast, 7:30-8:30 a.m., Tuesday, October 27, and discuss any ideas and suggestions you have on Society activities and policies.

## October Board meeting open to members

Interested Society members are welcome to attend the Board of Governors' meeting October 25 in Washington, D.C. Minutes of Board meetings are available upon request. For more information on the meeting and the minutes, call the Society office, 708-706-3500.

government and many associations.

The survey process will include a random sample of members who will be contacted by telephone for an interview. Those selected will receive advance mail notification.

Your views on the Society's operations count. Please take the time to speak with a Westat researcher if you are contacted.