

# SWDSI FALL NEWSLETTER

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## Welcome to the fall edition of the Southwest Decision Sciences News and Information Letter

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SWDSI 53rd Annual Conference 2024  
Moody Gardens Galveston Island, Galveston,  
Texas, April 10-13, 2024

### Word from the President

The countdown is on to our Spring 2024 meeting in Moody Gardens Galveston Island, Galveston, Texas. I am looking forward to seeing you April 10-13, 2024. Our conference will be held in Moody Gardens and you might have the opportunity to visit some favorite places or explore and find new favorites. Please consider submitting a paper at the conference at the earliest. The final deadline for this years submission is December 11, 2023.



Venugopal (Venu) Gopalakrishna-Remani

## Featured Workshops

### Learning Analytics Driven Course Design: Strategies and Techniques

Wednesday, April 10, 1:00pm-3:00pm

**Lina M. De La Garza**, Texas A&M International University

**Vikram Bhaduria**, Texas A&M University Texarkana

### Interpretable Machine Learning With R: PDPs, ICE Plots, and Feature Importance

Wednesday, April 10, 3:30pm-5:00pm

**Hashai Papneja**, Texas A&M University - Central Texas

## Our Members Serving in National DSI

### Victor Prybutok



### Pamela Rogers



### Khaled Al-Share



Victor R. Prybutok is President-Elect of DSI in 2023 and will serve as president in 2024. Dr. Pamela Rogers is serving as Vice President of Member Services. Dr. Khaled Al-Share is serving as Vice President Asia Pacific Division.

## Nominations

SWDSI is seeking nominations for elected officer positions. The positions are: Vice-President for Programs and Meetings Elect for 2024-2025 (Program Chair- Elect) Vice President - Participation (3-year term 2024-2027) Advisory Council Members (2 positions) (each serve a 3-year term 2024-2027) Please consider nominating someone or yourself by December 1, 2023. Please send the name and position to the chair of the SWDSI Committee on Nominations, Matt Lindsey at [lindseymd@sfasu.edu](mailto:lindseymd@sfasu.edu) .

**Final Note** It is not too late to submit the student papers to Lu Xu [Lu.Xu@ung.edu](mailto:Lu.Xu@ung.edu).

First 20 registrants in doctoral consortium get 50 dollars each. Register ASAP!