A Sense of Humor, Giving Space, Trying to Listen: Advice from 73 Years of Marriage

Herman and Judith Chernoff met at Brown University in 1945 when they were both graduate students in applied mathematics. They married in September 1947. For Judith and Herman, the secret to their 73 years of marriage is simple: “I give him space, and he gives me space,” said Judith. “That’s how we got along.” Herman is a longtime member of the ASA. Read more about this amazing couple in The Harvard Gazette at bit.ly/3brl0Ks.

Rhyme Time

To celebrate last month’s National Limerick Day, Larry Lesser of The University of Texas at El Paso wrote these original statistical limericks:

Lottery Strategy
The lottery numbers you choose
Won’t change your chance to lose,
But if all 6 match
You’ll get much more cash
If you picked what’s picked by few!

Simpson’s Paradox
When categories combine,
Sometimes you will find
What had trended
Now upended:
New correlation sign!

Significance
When doing hypothesis tests,
No threshold value is best.
It’s very contrived
To use point-oh-five
To say if you should be impressed!