Electronic Journal for Undergraduate Mathematics

Furman University has announced the establishment of a new electronic journal designed to encourage mathematical research by undergraduate students. Called the Furman University Electronic Journal of Undergraduate Mathematics, the publication will carry papers by students containing work done before the receipt of their bachelor’s degrees. Those wishing to submit papers must have a faculty sponsor who will ensure the quality and veracity of the paper. Access to the journal is provided through the World Wide Web site http://math.furman.edu/~mwoodard/fuejum/welcome.html. For more information, contact the editor in chief, Mark Woodard, of Furman University, woodard_mark@furman.edu.

— Mark Woodard

Merger Creates New OR/MS Organization

In January 1995, the Operations Research Society of America (ORSA) and The Institute for Management Science (TIMS) merged to form a new organization, the Institute for Operations Research and the Management Sciences (INFORMS). Now 13,000 members strong, INFORMS serves researchers, students, educators, and managers in the operations research and management science fields through a program of publications and conferences. In July, INFORMS announced that Randall S. Robinson will serve as the organization’s executive director. Robinson was formerly head of decision technologies and operations research for McDermott International, Inc.

INFORMS has offices in Linthicum, Maryland, and Providence, Rhode Island. Further information about INFORMS can be found at the Web site http://www.informs.org.

— Allyn Jackson

Ferst Award Nominations Sought

The Monie A. Ferst Award recognizes those who have made “notable contributions to the motivation and encouragement of research through education.” The award, given by the Georgia Institute of Technology Chapter of Sigma Xi, consists of a cash prize of $5,000 and a medal. It is presented annually to a nationally known scientist who has inspired his or her research colleagues to significant scientific achievements.

Nominations must be received by November 30, 1995, and must include a biographical sketch, at least three letters of support from peers or former students, and the names and addresses of the nominee’s doctoral students, research associates, and postdoctoral fellows. Send nominations to: Gary W. Poehlein, School of Chemical Engineering, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA 30332–0100. For further information, contact Poehlein at 404-894-4826; e-mail gary.poehlein@oip.gatech.edu.

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