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Josephine Mitchell and Lowell Schoenfeld Memorial Garden Dedication

At a ceremony on May 16, 2003, the AMS dedicated the Josephine Mitchell and Lowell Schoenfeld Memorial Garden at the Society headquarters building in Providence. Executive Director John Ewing read a tribute to the two mathematicians and unveiled the plaque that dedicates their memorial garden and honors their bequest to the Society. Members of the AMS Executive Committee, Board of Trustees, and staff attended the dedication.

Josephine Mitchell's field was several complex variables; the field of her husband, Lowell Schoenfeld, was analytic number theory. They were both on the faculty of the University of Buffalo at the time of their retirement in

1980. Mitchell passed away in 2000, and her husband passed away a little more than a year afterward. Their work spanned half a century and continues to live on through their papers, reviews, students, and book collection, which was recently sent to Charles University in the Czech Republic, where floods destroyed the university's library. Their generous gift to the AMS will be part of the Society's Endowment, with its income to be used to support mathematics and scholarship.

Ewing's tribute may be found on the AMS website at <http://www.ams.org/ams/Mitchell-Schoenfeld-dedication.pdf>.

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Left, members of the AMS Executive Committee and Board of Trustees attending the dedication of the Mitchell and Schoenfeld Memorial Garden. At right, a closeup of the memorial plaque.