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Correction to Nomination for President Elect Text

The Nomination for President Elect for Donald G. Saari which appeared in the September 2003 issue of the *Notices* (pages 971-972) was truncated. The following two paragraphs were omitted.

Don has served on numerous AMS, MAA, and SIAM committees and was chair of the organizing committee for the 1988 SIAM National Meeting. He has held many editorial positions, including the managing editorship of the *SIAM Journal on Mathematical Analysis*. More recently, Don resurrected the *Bulletin of the AMS* by encouraging the editorial board to work harder and by thinking imaginatively of the role that the *Bulletin* might play. For example, one early issue under Don's editorship boasted contributions by Birkhoff and Poincaré.

In summary, Don Saari has all of the talents and attributes of an ideal president of the AMS. He will forward the interests of mathematics, both in its core disciplines and its more applied directions. He will succeed in raising the visibility of mathematics and promoting its importance to the nation. He will champion excellence in research, teaching, and exposition. Finally, he may succeed in getting each of us to laugh a bit more as we follow his lead.

—Sandy Frost

Fan China Exchange Program Names Awardees

The Society's Fan China Exchange Program awards grants to support collaborations between Chinese and U.S./Canadian researchers. Institutions in the U.S. or Canada apply for the funds to support a visitor from China or vice versa. These funds are made possible through a generous gift made to the AMS by Ky and Yu-Fen Fan in 1999.

The names of the awardees for 2003 are listed below. The first name given is that of the host, and the second name that of the visitor.

CHI-KWONG LI, College of William and Mary, U.S.; ZHONG-ZHI BAI, Academy of Mathematics and System Sciences, China, three months.

JEAN-PIERRE FOUQUE, North Carolina State University, U.S.; LIANGANG PENG, Sichuan University, China, two months.

SELIM TUNCEL, University of Washington, U.S.; JIN CHENG, Fudan University, China, one month.

DAVID GRIFFEATH, University of Wisconsin, Madison, U.S.; FAN DING, Department of Mathematics, Peking University, China, one month.

For information about the Fan China Exchange Program, visit the website <http://www.ams.org/employment/chinaexchange.html>, or contact the AMS Membership and Programs Department, email: prof-serv@ams.org, telephone 401-455-4058 (within the U.S. call 800-321-4267, ext. 4058).

—Allyn Jackson

AMS Sponsors NEXt Fellows

Project NEXt (New Experiences in Teaching) is a professional development program started in 1994 by the Mathematical Association of America (MAA). Each year, sixty to seventy new Ph.D.'s receive Project NEXt Fellowships, which allow them to attend special events at the MAA MathFest and at the Joint Mathematics Meetings. The purpose of the program is to prepare the fellows for life as productive mathematics faculty members in colleges or universities.

Each year the AMS supports six "AMS NEXt Fellows" who are from Ph.D.-granting institutions and who show promise in mathematics research. The AMS will also hold activities for the AMS NEXt Fellows at the Joint Mathematics Meetings.

The names, affiliations, and areas of research of this year's AMS NEXt Fellows are: DENNIS KEELER, Miami University, noncommutative algebra, algebraic geometry; MASON A. PORTER, Georgia Institute of Technology, dynamical systems, applied mathematics; JESSICA SIDMAN, Mount Holyoke College, computational commutative algebra/algebraic geometry; JEAN STEINER, Courant Institute of New York University, geometric analysis, differential geometry; MARK TOMFORDE, University of Iowa, functional analysis; and CATALIN ZARA, Pennsylvania State University, Altoona, differential geometry.

For further information about Project NEXt, visit the website <http://archives.math.utk.edu/projnext/>. Information about applying for Project NEXt Fellowships will appear in the *Notices* in early 2004.

—Allyn Jackson

MathJobs .Org: Job Application Database for Mathematics

The AMS is sponsoring, for the third year, a mathematics job application database system called *MathJobs.org*, which was originally developed at Duke University. The system, designed to be used both by job seekers and by mathematics departments offering positions, allows every step of the employment application process to be carried out in a paperless, online environment. In 2003–2004 the AMS is offering the *MathJobs.org* service at an introductory rate for employers. The service is free to applicants.

MathJobs.org allows a job seeker to create a personal portfolio containing cover letters, résumés, teaching and research statements, lists of publications, etc. After browsing through listings of open positions, the job seeker can create tailored applications by selecting the appropriate documents from his or her portfolio. The applications can then be submitted directly on the system. *MathJobs* also provides a way for referees to enter letters of reference into the system.

For mathematics departments offering positions, *MathJobs.org* makes it easy to create a database of applicants containing information such as educational background, research area, names of referees, whether reference letters have been received, etc. Other features include automated messaging and reader note taking. *MathJobs.org* can manage the entire job application process without paper but can also be profitably used in conjunction with a paper folder system.

The AMS believes that *MathJobs* could greatly increase the efficiency of the job application process. Those interested in trying out the system can use a demo available at the website <http://www.mathjobs.org/>. Employers wishing to register should fill out an electronic form on the website and include payment information. Further information about subscribing to use the *MathJobs.org* service is available through the AMS Membership and Programs Department, AMS, 201 Charles Street, Providence, RI 02904; telephone 800-321-4267, ext.4105; email: mathjobs@ams.org.

—*Allyn Jackson*

Deaths of AMS Members

K. S. HARINATH, of Bangalore, India, died on November 23, 2002. He was a member of the Society for 19 years.

JOHN G. HERRIOT, of Palo Alto, CA, died on March 16, 2003. He was a member of the Society for 63 years.

J. N. B. LIVINGOOD, of Rocky River, OH, died on December 5, 2002. He was a member of the Society for 62 years.

EDWARD F. MOORE, of Madison, WI, died on June 14, 2003. He was a member of the Society for 54 years.

OSCAR ROTH AUS, professor emeritus of Cornell University, died on May 24, 2003. Born on October 21, 1927, he was a member of the Society for 49 years.

MARCINEK WLADYSLAW, University of Wroclaw, Poland, died on June 9, 2003. He was a member of the Society for 8 years.