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# Inside the AMS

## AMS Assists Mathematicians Affected by Hurricane

Mathematicians in New Orleans may be away from their regular work environment for many months. The AMS is therefore providing alternative access to MathSciNet and AMS journals during this time. If you are a mathematician at one of the eight universities in New Orleans (University of New Orleans, Tulane University, Loyola University, Xavier University of Louisiana, Southern University at New Orleans, Our Lady of the Holy Cross College, Dillard University, and Delgado Community College) you are eligible for this alternative access until your institution is able to reactivate its service. Please call the AMS at 800-321-4267 for more details. If you are at another institution affected by the hurricane, please call the above number to let us know.

In the months ahead, mathematicians at institutions closed by Hurricane Katrina will be seeking places to work temporarily, either as visiting faculty or as adjuncts. Several departments around the country have already offered to host some faculty. The AMS would like to help in matching displaced mathematicians with host departments by sharing information.

If you are a mathematician displaced by hurricane Katrina and you are seeking a temporary place to work, or if you represent a mathematics department that might have available space for a mathematician, please call 800-321-4267 and ask for "Katrina Relief". You will be asked for only basic information and further contact information. Neither mathematicians nor departments are making any commitment by giving us this information. The AMS will *not* make assignments of any kind. Our job is to help mathematicians and departments connect in order to allow each to make decisions.

Information is available on the AMS website at <http://www.ams.org/ams/katrina-help.html>.

—From AMS announcements

## Deaths of AMS Members

THOMAS BETH, University of Karlsruhe, Germany, died on August 17, 2005. Born on November 16, 1949, he was a member of the Society for 30 years.

PAMELA A. FERGUSON, professor, Grinnell College, IA, died on April 24, 2004. Born on May 5, 1943, she was a member of the Society for 29 years.

GEORGE SZEKERES, professor emeritus, University of New South Wales, Australia, died on August 28, 2005. Born on May 29, 1911, he was a member of the Society for 55 years.