David P. Robbins

Prize 2007

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This prize was established in 2005 in memory of David P. Robbins by members of his family. Robbins, who died in 2003, received his Ph.D. in 1970 from MIT. He was a long-time member of the Institute for Defense Analysis Center for Communications Research and a prolific mathematician whose work (much of it classified) was in discrete mathematics. The prize is for a paper with the following characteristics: it shall report on novel research in algebra, combinatorics or discrete mathematics and shall have a significant experimental component; and it shall be on a topic which is broadly accessible and shall provide a simple statement of the problem and clear exposition of the work. The US$5,000 prize will be awarded every three years. It is expected that the first award will be made in January 2007.

Nominations should be submitted to the AMS Secretary, Robert J. Daverman, American Mathematical Society, 312D Ayres Hall, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN 37996-1330. Include a complete bibliographic citation for the work that is the basis of the nomination, supplemented with brief remarks explaining what aspects of the work make it particularly suited for this prize. The nominations will be forwarded by the Secretary to the Prize Selection Committee, which will make the final decision on the award.

Deadline for nominations: August 15, 2006

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