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AMS Department Chairs Workshop

This annual one-day workshop for chairs and leaders of departments of mathematical sciences will be held a day before the start of the San Diego Joint Mathematics Meetings, on Saturday, January 5, 2008, from 8:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. The workshop format is intended to stimulate discussion among attending chairs and workshop leaders. Sharing ideas and experiences with peers provides a form of department chair therapy, creating an environment that enables attending chairs to address departmental matters from new perspectives.

Past workshop sessions have focused on a range of issues facing departments today, including personnel issues (staff and faculty), long-range planning, hiring, promotion and tenure, budget management, assessments, outreach, stewardship, junior faculty development, communication, and departmental leadership.

There is a registration fee for the workshop, which is in addition to and separate from the Joint Meetings registration. An invitation to attend the workshop will be sent to department chairs this fall. Information will also be posted on the AMS website. For further information, please contact the AMS Washington Office by telephone, 202-588-1100, or by email: amsdc@ams.org.

—AMS Washington Office

Undergraduate Research Conference Proceedings Available

In 2006, with funding from the National Security Agency (NSA), the AMS organized the conference “Promoting Undergraduate Research in Mathematics” (PURM), which took place on September 28–30, 2006, in Rosemont, IL. PURM

continued the work of the 1999 conference (see below) by bringing together a diverse group of people who are actively involving undergraduates in research programs of all types in order that they might share their experiences and explore ways of creating more such opportunities, with the goal of bringing the most talented students into research-level mathematics.

The proceedings volume for the PURM conference, *Proceedings of the Conference on Promoting Undergraduate Research in Mathematics*, was published in June 2007 and is available as a PDF document at <http://www.ams.org/outreach/PURMproceedings.pdf>.

In 1999 the AMS brought together mathematicians from across the country who have been involved in summer mathematics programs for undergraduates. The purpose of the conference was to exchange ideas, discuss issues of common concern, establish contacts, and gather information that would be of use to those in the mathematical community who are interested in establishing summer mathematics programs for undergraduates. The workshop was held September 30–October 2, 1999, at Crystal City, Arlington, Virginia, with support from the National Security Agency.

The proceedings volume for the 1999 conference was published in June 2000 and is available as a PDF document *Proceedings of the Conference on Summer Undergraduate Mathematics Research Programs* at <http://www.ams.org/outreach/REUproceedings.pdf>.

A list of summer REU programs is also maintained on the AMS website at <http://www.ams.org/outreach/reu.html>.

—AMS Professional Programs and Services Department

Deaths of AMS Members

WILLIAM T. ALFORD, associate professor, from Louisville, KY, died on May 29, 2003. Born on July 21, 1937, he was a member of the Society for 41 years.

BENGT G. CARLSON, from Santa Fe, NM, died on June 14, 2007. Born on December 26, 1915, he was a member of the Society for 67 years.

JOHN G. HARVEY, professor emeritus, University of Wisconsin, Madison, died on May 5, 2007. Born on August 10, 1934, he was a member of the Society for 49 years.

JOHN ARNOLD KALMAN, professor, University of Auckland, New Zealand, died on June 11, 2007. Born on November 19, 1928, he was a member of the Society for 36 years.

MASASUKE KAWASAKI, from Slidell, LA, died on June 8, 2007. Born on March 21, 1925, he was a member of the Society for 14 years.

JOHN C. MAIRHUBER, from Bangor, ME, died on June 13, 2007. Born on December 14, 1922, he was a member of the Society for 55 years.

KYUNGHO OH, assistant professor, University of Missouri at St. Louis, died on June 11, 2007. Born on May 24, 1959, he was a member of the Society for 25 years.

ROY F. REEVES, professor emeritus, from Granville, OH, died on May 5, 2007. Born on July 8, 1922, he was a member of the Society for 57 years.

JEAN B. RICHMOND, assistant professor emeritus, Southern Methodist University, died on December 27, 1998. Born on October 13, 1925, she was a member of the Society for 32 years.

FELICE L. L. RONGA, professor, University of Geneva, Switzerland, died on May 22, 2007. Born on November 23, 1942, he was a member of the Society for 34 years.

JOHN TODD, professor, California Institute of Technology, died on June 21, 2007. Born on May 16, 1911, he was a member of the Society for 59 years.

AZELLE B. WALTCHER, from New York, NY, died on June 5, 2007. Born on March 27, 1925, she was a member of the Society for 61 years.

CUN ZHENG WANG, research professor and engineer, Chengdu Engine Company, People's Republic of China, died on July 10, 2006. Born on August 8, 1938, he was a member of the Society for 18 years.

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