AMS Announces Congressional Fellow

The AMS is pleased to announce that Daniel Ullman has been chosen as the AMS Congressional Fellow for 2006–2007.

The AMS will sponsor Ullman's fellowship through the Congressional Fellowship program administered by the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS). The fellowship is designed to provide a unique public policy learning experience, to demonstrate the value of science-government interaction, and to bring a technical background and external perspective to the decision-making process in Congress.

Fellows spend a year working on the staff of a member of Congress or a congressional committee, working as a special legislative assistant in legislative and policy areas requiring scientific and technical input. The fellowship program includes an orientation on congressional and executive branch operations, and a year-long seminar series on issues involving science, technology, and public policy.

Dan Ullman was chosen from a field of outstanding candidates. He has a Ph.D. in mathematics from the University of California, Berkeley, where he studied ergodic theory. In later years he shifted his focus to graph theory and combinatorics, where his current research interests lie. He most recently served as chair of the mathematics department at the George Washington University and has served in other leadership positions at the university.

—AMS Washington office

Epsilon Memorial Scholarships Awarded for 2006

The AMS has awarded five scholarships to students attending programs for mathematically talented high school students held during the summer of 2006. Four students received Ky and Yu-Fen Fan Scholarships, and one student received a Roderick P. C. Caldwell Scholarship. The scholarships are intended to cover the tuition for the programs.

Information about the students, the scholarship awards, and the programs they attended follows.

Daniel Ross of Ann Arbor, Michigan, received a Fan Scholarship to attend the Ross Mathematics Program at Ohio State University. Daniel is a 17-year-old home-schooled student who will attend Cambridge University in the fall.

Karen Vazquez received a Fan Scholarship to attend the Texas State University Honors Summer Math Camp in San Marcos, Texas. Karen was born in Monterrey, Mexico, and grew up in McAllen, Texas. She is a recent graduate of Nikki Rowe High School. She will attend Texas State University, San Marcos, in the fall with a mathematics major and plans to go into a career in secondary education.

Sedona Price received a Fan Scholarship to attend PROMYS (Program in Mathematics for Young Scholars) at Boston University. Sedona is a senior at Monroe Catholic High School in Fairbanks, Alaska. She has competed and performed well in numerous mathematics competitions, including the USA Mathematical Olympiad. She also placed sixth in a state competition for a research project in chemistry.

Ashley Nagel received a Fan Scholarship to attend the Hampshire College Summer Studies in Mathematics in Amherst, Massachusetts.

Kai Cao received a Caldwell Scholarship to attend the Hampshire College Summer Studies in Mathematics.

The Fan Scholarships are supported by the Society’s Ky and Yu-Fen Fan Endowment, which was established through a gift by Ky Fan and his wife, Yu-Fen Fan. Income from the endowment supports mathematics in China and mathematically talented high school students in the United States. The Caldwell Scholarships were endowed by a gift from Winifred A. Caldwell in memory of her husband, Roderick P. C. Caldwell. The scholarships are part of the AMS Epsilon Fund, which supports programs for mathematically talented high school students. For more information on the Epsilon program, please visit the website http://www.ams.org/development/epsilon.html.

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