

The Joint Meetings 2017 was a great meeting. Some highlights for those who did not attend:

- Author of Hidden Figures, Margot Lee Shetterly and Hidden Figure Dr. Christine Darden spoke to a standing room only crowd. A session at MathFest, Rudy Horne, of Morehouse College, will deliver the NAM David Harold Blackwell Lecture: Hidden Figures: My Role as a Math Consultant for this Film. A must see! Talithia Williams, Harvey Mudd College will also present the AWM-MAA Etta Z. Falconer Lecture, Not So Hidden Figures: Unveiling Mathematical Talent. Another important session.
- Former EPaDel speaker, Laura Taalman, spoke on her recent work on 3D printing. Last time she was here she spoke on Sudoku, so maybe we can bring her back to talk on the 3D printing fun?

At the Board of Governors meetings, Executive Director, Michael Pearson explained the success of Second Century Campaign which ran from 2012 – 2016. The goal was to reach \$7.5 million. The final tally is still not in, but the campaign has exceeded the goal. The next capital campaign will go towards hosting the 2021 IMO. MathFest attendance has grown by roughly 50% over last decade. The MAA is securing funding to increase the number of Project NEXTERS by 50% over the next 3 years. The MAA is turning away 40-60 highly qualified candidates and hence potential MAA members for several years. Current membership is as follows:

<b>Core Members</b>	9362
<b>Departmental Memberships</b>	224
<b>Student Members</b>	8158 (of which 7618 are through Departmental memberships)
<b>K – 12 Teachers</b>	5582 (teachers who register teams for AMC 8, 10 or 12 exams)

the AMC 8 exam 2016 experience the kind of savings hoped for - \$40,000 more in revenue and \$40,000 savings in expenses. Baxter shared the good news that two MAA books received outstanding book awards from Choice: A Century of Advancing Mathematics, edited by Stephen Kennedy, and Trigonometry: A Clever Study Guide by James Tanton.

Francis Su developed an incredible free app called MathFeed. It searches the web for all things mathematical and science in nature. In addition, Francis will donate any revenue generated through the app to the MAA. So if you have an iPhone or iPad, download it today! Soon it will be available for droid users. You can also follow MathFeed on twitter @MathFeed.

Arguably the most important event of the meetings was the passing of the new bylaws. The proposed bylaws were passed after a lengthy public discussion – many felt the new bylaws disenfranchised membership by not giving membership a say in future changes to the bylaws. Those who wrote the new bylaws recognized that there should be a way for membership to amend the organization's bylaws in the future. Thus an amendment to the proposed bylaws was also adopted which allows for this.