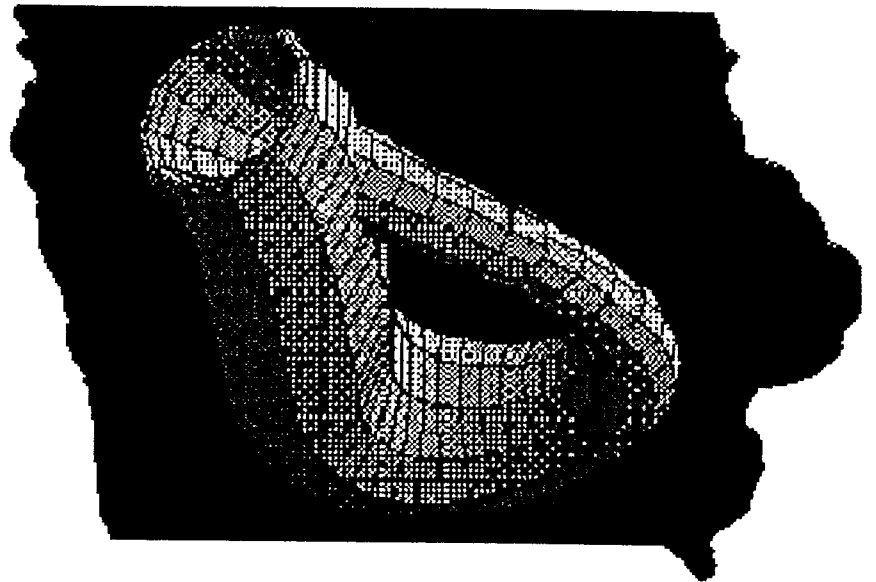


**Iowa
Section
Newsletter**



Spring 2001

**2001 Iowa Mathematics Meeting
Drake University, Des Moines, Iowa
April 6 and 7, 2001**

Friday, April 6

1:00 – 4:30	Registration and Book Exhibit	Meredith Hall
2:00 – 2:45	Mathematics Student Papers I	Meredith 103
2:45 – 3:00	Break	
3:00 – 3:30	Mathematics Student Papers II	Meredith 103
3:30 – 4:00	MAA Liaisons Meeting	Meredith 102
4:00 – 5:00	MAA Grant Writing Workshop Joe Yanik Emporia State University	Meredith 202
5:00 – 7:00	Dinner on your own	
7:30 – 8:30	MAA Lecture I Underwood Dudley Department of Mathematics DePauw University <i>"Mathematical Cranks"</i>	Meredith 106
8:30 – ?	Reception	Meredith Hall

Saturday, April 7

8:00 – 3:30	Registration and Book Exhibit	Meredith Hall
8:30 – 9:30	ASA Keynote Speaker Tom Loughin Kansas State University	Meredith 101
9:30 – 10:00	Break	
10:00 – 11:00	MAA Lecture II Underwood Dudley DePauw University <i>"Calculus Books"</i>	Meredith 106
11:00 – 11:45	MAA Business Meeting	Meredith 106
11:00 – 11:45	ASA Business Meeting	Meredith 101
12:00 – 1:00	MAA Luncheon <i>All participants welcome</i>	Olmsted Center 212 – 213
—RESERVATIONS REQUIRED by 4/2/01		
E-MAIL: luz.dealba@drake.edu		
or lunch on your own		
1:00 – 3:00	Grant Writing Workshop (continued)	Meredith 201
1:00 – 4:30	Mathematics Contributed Papers I	Meredith 102
1:00 – 4:30	Mathematics Contributed Papers II	Meredith 103
1:00 – 4:00	ASA Session	Meredith 234

**A more complete meeting program (including abstracts) can be found at:
www.maa.org/iowa**

From Section Chair Bruce Sloan (on behalf of the section officers):

We hope that your spring plans will include attending the section meeting at Drake, April 6 and 7. In addition to student and faculty presentations, invited speakers and the opportunity to visit with colleagues, there will be a special MAA workshop on grant writing. We hope that each school will be able to have at least one faculty member attend the workshop.

As usual, we will be selecting a chair-elect and we have two strong candidates, Catherine Gorini (Maharishi International University) and Steve Nimmo (Morningside College). On the unusual side, we have three members who are concluding their terms of service to the section and this impacts four different positions. Elgin Johnston (Iowa State) has been Governor and Contest Chair, Cal Van Niewaal (Coe) has served as Newsletter Editor and Alex Kleiner (Drake) has been our Liaison Coordinator. Elgin, Cal and Alex have provided outstanding leadership and we hope you will join us in expressing appreciation for their work and thanking them for their years of service. The election of a new Governor is conducted by the national office and the other positions are appointed. The new Contest Chair, Newsletter Editor and Liaison Coordinator will be announced at the section business meeting.

Grant Writing Workshop

Many of the MAA section meetings this Spring will be featuring Grant Writing Workshops. These mini-workshops, led by NSF trained presenters discuss the keys to successful grant writing with emphasis on NSF/DUE programs. For helpful advice and in-depth training on the grant writing process, plan to attend this valuable workshop at the Iowa Mathematics Meeting.

The workshop will run for three hours. The first session is 4 to 5 pm on Friday. The workshop concludes with a session from 1 to 3 pm on Saturday. Joe Yanik from Emporia State University will be the workshop leader.

Saturday Luncheon

There will be a luncheon Saturday for all meeting participants. Reservations are required. The price is \$7.50 and it is a box lunch: sandwich, potato salad, cookie and a drink. Please contact Luz DeAlba (e-mail: luz.dealba@drake.edu phone:515-271-2145) by **April 2, 2001**, to make your reservation.

From the Newsletter Editor:

You have probably noticed by now that this newsletter is very short compared to previous editions. In an effort to contain costs, we have decided to place the majority of the news on the section web site (www.maa.org/iowa). There you will find reports from the Section Governor, Section Treasurer, and Nominating Committee as well as a complete meeting program (including abstracts).

If you would prefer to have a printed copy of all of the Iowa Section news, please contact me (e-mail: cvanniew@coe.edu phone: 319-399-8642) and I will mail one out to you.

Cal Van Niewaal, Editor