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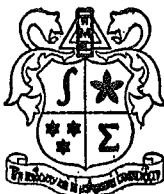
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TO : MAofA Section Governors, Chairmen and Secretaries

FROM: Houston T. Karnes

This communication is being written with regard to the Annual Meeting of Pi Mu Epsilon.

As all of you probably know, Pi Mu Epsilon (The Mathematics Honor Society) has an annual meeting in conjunction with the Summer Meetings of the Mathematical Association of America. A feature of these meetings are the papers presented by students who have not as yet been awarded the Master's Degree. In this respect, the MAofA has been most helpful and closely associated with those of us who are working directly with these young students in order to encourage them to further develop their interest and background in mathematics.

As you also know, there will be no summer meeting in 1974, due to the International Congress of Mathematicians being held in North America (Vancouver, B. C.).

Since the Board of Pi Mu Epsilon is desirous for the students to have an opportunity of presenting papers during 1974, so there will be no break in the annual pattern, we are writing this general letter to you and seeking your help and support. We are suggesting that, where possible, MAofA Sections provide a Pi Mu Epsilon Section to the annual meeting programs for the benefit and encouragement of the students.

Dr. Richard V. Andree, our Secretary-Treasurer, has already sent a general letter, addressed to "Sectional Officers", outlining some of the plans adopted by our Board at the Missoula Meeting. In addition he gave a mailing list of Pi Mu Epsilon Chapters by MAofA Sections.

This letter is being written to let you know more especially of our concern for 1974, and to encourage you to do all you can for the furtherance of this project. It is possible no Chapter in your Section has contacted you. Perhaps a word from you, if you are agreeable to the plan, would be most helpful. Even a few papers presented in each Section would be a movement in the right direction for these young people.

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Of course, if the plan described by Dr. Andree's letter and this letter has merit and a good reception, it is possible that 1974 would be the beginning of a new Pi Mu Epsilon activity on an annual basis. In view of this thought, we would be interested in hearing of your experiences with this plan.

Best wishes to you in your MAofA Sectional Activities.

Sincerely yours,



Houston T. Karnes

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