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Dear Iowa MAA Members:

The 1984 Iowa Mathematics Meetings will be held on April 13 and 14 on the campus of Wartburg College in Waverly, conducted jointly by our organization and the Iowa sections of the American Statistical Association and the Society of Industrial & Applied Mathematics. No major changes in last year's format are contemplated. This included sessions for individual papers on Friday and Saturday afternoons, invited addresses and business meetings on Saturday morning, and a social event on Friday evening.

This letter is our call to you to submit abstracts of papers for presentation at the meeting. While entries in all areas are encouraged, we would like to emphasize student papers again this year. We are authorized to award up to three free memberships in the MAA each year as prizes for student papers presented at a section meeting. These memberships include one free journal. In case a prize winner is already a member, an MAA-published book can be substituted for the membership. A little arm twisting with your prize pupils could be rewarding.

In order to have time to arrange the program with the other organizations and get final details mailed to the membership, our Chairman-Elect, Wayne Woodworth, has asked that abstracts of papers be sent to him by March 1. He will assume that these are for 20 minute presentations unless you notify him otherwise. Also, please inform him if you have any preference as to when you speak. His mailing address is: Department of Mathematics and Computer Science, Drake University, Des Moines, Iowa 50310.

Chairman Lynn Olson has appointed Jim Cornette, Don Pilgrim, and Augusta Schurrer as a nominating committee to propose nominees for Chairman-Elect and for Secretary-Treasurer. The election will be held at our spring meeting, and the committee urgently requests members (1) to accept nomination if requested to do so and (2) to send to the committee names of well qualified candidates and a statement of their qualifications. Names should be sent to any member of the committee by March 1.

The Chairman-Elect serves one year as Chairman-Elect during which his/her primary responsibility is to organize the program for the Spring meeting, and serves one year as Chairman, during which he/she sees to it that meeting arrangements are made and the business of the section is carried out efficiently. The Secretary-Treasurer sends out notices of meetings, keeps minutes of meetings, and receives and disburses small quantities of money. We request your careful consideration of nominees. Note: the current Secretary-Treasurer has served the maximum term allowed under the By-laws and is therefore not eligible for reelection as Secretary-Treasurer.

Cordially yours,

E. (ames Peake, Secretary-Treasurer Iowa Section, Mathematical Association of America

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