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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MAA SECTIONS
1999-2000 Year
Deadline for returning this report: June 19, 2000

Please complete the form by filling in the requested information.

The completed file should be e-mailed back to drstone@gsvms2.cc.gasou.edu (and copied to Jane Heckler <jheckler@maa.org>) OR

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Official Section Representative to Section Officer's Meeting at the UCLA Mathfest:
(Thursday, August 3, 4:30-6:30, in the Study Lounge of Covil Commons)
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1. How many times per year does your Section publish a newsletter? 2
Does your section send out other mailings? If so, describe.

Yes, we send a Call for Papers and Participation for the spring meeting.

2. Does your Section sponsor activities other than section meetings (e.g. summer workshops or short courses)? Yes.

We sponsor the annual Iowa Collegiate Mathematics Competition.

3. The Board of Governors has instructed the MAA to collect and report data on the participation of women in MAA activities. Please supply the following for your Section.

Number of officers -> 9
Number of officers who are women -> 2

Number of committee chairs -> 2
 Number of committee chairs who are women -> 0

4. This item is specifically about your section meeting. If your section had more than one meeting, please duplicate and answer as needed:

4A. Date(s) of Meeting April 14-15, 2000

4B. Location of Meeting Simpson College, Indianola, IA

4C. Attendance (indicate numbers by category if possible)

Total ___ 70 ___
 Two-year college faculty ___ 2 ___
 Undergraduate students ___ 10 ___
 Graduate students ___ 2 ___
 Non-MAA members ___ 27 ___ (incl most students)
 Business/industry/govt. ___ 0 ___

4D. Sessions

	Number of Sessions	Number of Presenters
(Total Women)		
Invited Addresses:	2	(2 1)
Contributed Papers:	2	(12 2)
Student Papers:	2	(6 2)
Panel Organizers:	0	
Panelists:	0	
Workshops:	1	(1 0)

4E. If there were workshops/short courses, please list topic(s) and presenter(s), including their names, topics, affiliations, telephone number, e-mail address:

Workshop: Maple 6 and Linear Algebra
 Presenter: Gene Herman
 Grinnell College
 515-269-4202
 herman@math.grinnell.edu

4F. Fees

Registration: MAA member ___ 5 ___ non-member ___ 5 ___
 Student Registration: ___ 0 ___
 Workshop/short courses: ___ 0 ___
 Exhibitors: ___ 50 ___

4G. At this meeting, was there:

...a meeting/session for MAA Departmental Liaisons? Yes
 ...a meeting/session for Department Chairs? No
 ...an MAA book sale? Yes
 ...a luncheon and/or banquet? Yes
 Luncheon on Saturday
 ...other social events? Yes
 Reception in honor of the retirement of Ed Hill,
 Cornell College

4H. Does your Section offer special recognition to student presenters at the Section meetings? If yes, please describe.

Yes, we recognize the best student papers during the business meeting Saturday. Certificates and MAA memberships (or books)

are presented.

4I. Were there particularly outstanding speakers or presenters at your Section's events that you would recommend to other Sections or to national program committees? Please list names, topics, affiliations, telephone number, e-mail address.

Deanna Haunsperger and Stephen Kennedy
Voting Theory (DH), Probability and Series (SK)
Carleton College
dhaunspe@carleton.edu, skennedy@carleton.edu

4J. Please describe any aspect of the meeting that was particularly successful or noteworthy.

4H. Please list names, topics, affiliations, telephone number, e-mail address of your Invited Speakers.

See item 4I: Deanna and Stephen filled in for Woody Dudley at the last minute.

5. Did your Section make awards for distinguished teaching or distinguished service this year?

If yes, please list the awards and awardees and comment on the selection processes.

Yes, to Erna Jensen of Grand View College. She was chosen by committee.

6. Does your Section recognize high scorers in mathematics competitions? How?

We announce the results of the Putnam and the Iowa Collegiate Competition during the business meeting.

7. Please describe any new, noteworthy, or particularly successful event or activity of your Section this year.

8. Please describe any Public Awareness activities organized by your Section.

9. How are Student Chapters involved in the activities of your Section? What support do you provide for Student Chapters?

There was a roundtable discussion at the section meeting led by Cathy Gorini, Student Chapter Coordinator.

10. What does your Section do to raise funds to support its programs and activities?

The MAA booksale.

11. To what extent does your Section use electronic services (eMail, www) for communication with section members and promotion of section activities?

There is a section website containing newsletter information. We are also moving toward email distribution of the newsletter. Section officers communicate almost exclusively through email.

12. (a) Does your section have a Liaison Coordinator(s)? Yes
(b) Please describe ways in which your section utilized MAA/Departmental

Liaisons.

Liaisons met for approximately an hour during the section meeting to brainstorm. We also distributed the spring newsletter by bulk mailing to department liaisons.

14. Are there concerns that your Section would like to bring to the attention of the Committee on Sections or to the MAA Headquarters office?

15. What additional services or improvements in existing services provided by the Committee on Sections or MAA Headquarters would you suggest?

Nothing right now. Keep up the good work!

Mark Johnson
Iowa Section Secretary/Treasurer