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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MAA SECTIONS

2000-2001 Year

Deadline for returning this report: June 25, 2001

Please complete the form by filling in the requested information.

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Official Section Representative (eligible for partial travel support) to Section Officers' Meeting at the Madison MathFest (Thursday, August 2, 4:00 in the Capitol Ballroom of the Concourse Hotel): Bruce Sloan, sloan@storm.simpson.edu, Department of Mathematics, Simpson College, Indianola, IA 50125

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 out 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
If yes duplicate the following indented lines as many times as necessary:
Title -> Iowa Collegiate Mathematics Competition
Presenter(s) -> none
Dates ->
Fee -> none
Presenter(s) telephone number, e-mail address and affiliation ->

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 -> 3
Number of committee chairs -> 1
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 6, 7 2001

4B. Location of Meeting

Drake University, Des Moines, IA

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

Total	_____	82
Two-year college faculty	_____	1
Undergraduate students	_____	23
Graduate students	_____	1
Non-MAA members	_____	11
Business/industry/govt.	_____	0

4D. Sessions

	Number of Sessions	Number of Presenters
(Total Women)		
Invited Addresses:	2	(1 0)
Contributed Papers:	2	(12 4)
Student Papers:	2	(6 3)
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, and contact information (affiliation, telephone number, e-mail address):

Workshop: Grant Writing (sponsored by MAA)
Presenter: Joe Yanik
Emporia State University
yanikjoe@emporia.edu

4F. Fees

Registration: MAA member	_____	\$5	non-member	_____	\$5
Student Registration:	_____	free			
Workshop/short courses:	_____	free			
Exhibitors:	_____	(none)			

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
...other social events?	Yes, reception
...student activities (e. g. competition)?	No, competition held earlier

Please describe any of the above items which you checked yes.

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 on Saturday, awarding MAA memberships to all presenters and books to the best papers.

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.

Woody Dudley gave excellent invited addresses, and Joe Yanik did an excellent job with the Grant Writing Workshop.

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

Nothing comes to mind, although losing power during Woody's second talk was certainly noteworthy.

4H. Please list names, topics and contact information (affiliations, telephone number, e-mail address) of your Invited Speakers.

Underwood Dudley
DePauw University

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

Yes.

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

Catherine Gorini, Maharishi University of Management,
chosen by a selection committee.

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

Putnam _____ No _____

AHSME, or AIME exams _____ No _____

We do present the trophy (and announce runners-up) for the Iowa Mathematics Competition at the Business Meeting.

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

The Grant Writing Workshop appeared to be very successful.

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

Nothing formal at this time.

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.

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

Registrations and MAA booksale.

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

We have a section website. We continue to move towards electronic distribution of newsletters. This spring, an abbreviated version was printed and mailed, with the full version on the website.

12. (a) Does your section have a Liaison Coordinator(s)?

Yes, Cal Van Niewaal is the new coordinator.

(b) Please describe ways in which your section utilized MAA/Departmental Liaisons.

Newsletters are mailed to liaisons for local distribution. Liaisons also met during the section meeting to share ideas.

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?

Not that I can think of.

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

Nothing comes to mind.

Thanks for the excellent work,

Mark Johnson
Iowa Section Secretary/Treasurer