Dept. of Mathematics Iowa State University Ames, Iowa 50011 December 1980

## Dear Colleagues:

It is time once again to call for papers to be presented at the annual meeting of the Iowa Section of the Mathematical Association of America. The meeting this year is at Coe College in Cedar Rapids, Iowa on April 24 and 25, 1981. While this is at the same time and place as the Iowa Academy of Science Meeting, there is no official connection between the meetings. Attempts by your Executive Committee to negotiate a joint meeting have not been successful, but the Academy has graciously agreed to let us have a couple of rooms for our meetings. We will, however, continue to meet jointly with the Iowa Sections of the Society of Industrial and Applied Mathematics and the American Statistical Association. To accommodate the different interests of these organizations, it is tentatively planned to have a joint session on Friday afternoon and concurrent sessions on Saturday. We would like to particularly encourage papers of joint interest. Also we are asking faculty members to recruit student papers. These have been a valuable part of our last couple of meetings. It is planned to have a panel on some aspect of undergraduate mathematics teaching at one of our sessions.

A. M. Fink, our Chairperson-Elect (alies Program Chairman), has asked that abstracts be forwarded to him by March 13. Mark this date on your calendars as this will be the only communication between now and then. We will send you a copy of our program along with complete details on the meeting during the latter part of March.

Professor Fink's mailing address is Dept. of Mathematics, Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa 50011.

A nominating committee chaired by Don Sanderson from Lowa State, along with Charles Lindsay from Coe College and Don Meyer from Central College has been appointed to find candidates for the positions of Chairperson-Elect and Secretary-Treasurer. If you have suggestions for nominees, please let one of the committee members know.

Cordially yours,

L. James Peake

Secretary-Treasurer Iowa Section of MAA