Spring 2011 Meeting Information

The 2011 section meeting will be held on Friday and Saturday, March 4 and 5 at Baker University in Baldwin City, KS. The invited speaker will be MAA President David Bressoud. According to the MAA webpage, “David Bressoud is DeWitt Wallace Professor of Mathematics at Macalester College and President of the Mathematical Association of America. After graduating from Swarthmore College in 1971, he served in the Peace Corps, teaching math and science at the Clare Hall School in Antigua, West Indies. He earned his doctorate in Mathematics at Temple University in 1977 and then taught at Penn State for 17 years. He chaired the Department of Mathematics and Computer Science at Macalester from 1995 until 2001. He has held visiting positions at the Institute for Advanced Study, the University of Wisconsin-Madison, the University of Minnesota, Université Louis Pasteur (Strasbourg, France), and the State College Area High School.

David has received the MAA Distinguished Teaching Award (Allegheny Mountain Section), the MAA Beckenbach Book Award for Proofs and Confirmations, and has been a Pólya Lecturer for the MAA. He is a recipient of Macalester’s Jefferson Award. He has published over fifty research articles in number theory, combinatorics, and special functions. His other books include Factorization and Primality Testing, Second Year Calculus from Celestial Mechanics to Special Relativity, A Radical Approach to Real Analysis (now in 2nd edition), A Radical Approach to Lebesgue's Theory of Integration, and, with Stan Wagon, A Course in Computational Number Theory.

David has chaired the MAA special interest group, Teaching Advanced High School Mathematics as well as the AP Calculus Development Committee and has served as Director of the FIPSE-sponsored program Quantitative Methods for Public Policy.”

More information and a call for contributed papers for the spring meeting will be forthcoming. Contact: Dr. Kelly A. Flaherty, Department of Mathematics, Computer Science and Physics Baker University Baldwin City, KS 66006, 785-594-7853, kelly.bach@bakeru.edu

Call for Nominations for 2011 MAA Kansas Section Awards

Nominations for the 2011 MAA Section Awards for Distinguished College or University Teaching of Mathematics are now being accepted. The Kansas Section Selection Committee will determine the recipient of the award from those nominated. The awardee will be honored at the Spring 2011 meeting of the Section and will be widely recognized and acknowledged within the Section. The awardee will also be the official Section nominee for the 2011 MAA Deborah and Franklin Tepper Haimo Award for Distinguished College or University Teaching of Mathematics. There will be at most three national awardees, each of whom will be honored at the national MAA meeting in January 2012 with a certificate and check for $1000. A special session at that meeting is
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devoted to talks by the awardees on aspects of their teaching.

Anyone may make a nomination, but nominations from chairs or MAA liaisons in departments of mathematical sciences are especially solicited. An outline of the nomination process can be found on the web site http://

www.maa.org/awards/teachingawards.htm

We urge you to submit a nomination for the MAA Kansas Section Award if you have someone eligible and qualified in your department. Even if not selected this year, it is an honor for someone to have been nominated, and your candidate can likely be nominated again in a future year. Your department will receive recognition for its commitment to excellence in teaching, and the work done in preparing a nomination folder for your candidate is a tribute in itself. Self-nomination is not permitted.

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Eligibility

College or university teachers who currently teach a mathematical science at least halftime during the academic year in a public or private college or university (from two-year college teaching through teaching at the Ph.D. level) in the United States or Canada. Those on approved leave (sabbatical or other) during the academic year in which they are nominated qualify if they fulfilled the requirements in the previous year.

More than seven years experience in teaching a mathematical science.

Membership in the Mathematical Association of America.

Guidelines for Nomination

Nominees should

- Be widely recognized as extraordinarily successful in their teaching*
- Have teaching effectiveness that can be documented
- Have had influence in their teaching beyond their own institution**
- Foster curiosity and generate excitement about mathematics in their students.

* "teaching" is to be interpreted in its broadest sense, not necessarily limited to classroom teaching. It may include activities such as preparing students for mathematical competitions at the college level such as the Putnam Prize Competition or the Mathematical Contest in Modeling, attracting students to become majors in a mathematical science or to become Ph.D. candidates, working with pre-service or inservice teachers, etc.

** "influence beyond..." can take many forms, including demonstrated lasting impact on alumni, influence on the profession through curricular revisions in college mathematics teaching with wide-ranging impact, influential publications or innovative books concerned with the teaching of college mathematics, etc.

Nominations must be submitted on the enclosed "Nomination Form." Please follow the instructions on that form precisely to assure uniformity in the selection process.

Please email the completed nomination form to

Professor Joe Yanik

Secretary/Treasurer of KSMAA

hyanik@emporia.edu

no later than January 1, 2011.

Nominations for someone from another Section should be sent to the Secretary of the nominee's Section.

The KSMAA Selection Committee will select the Kansas Section awardee soon after the January 1 deadline. After the selection is made, the nominator and awardee will be encouraged to complete and submit a full nomination packet (see http://www.maa.org/awards/teachingawards.htm) in time for consideration for the national award (March 1, 2011).

We look forward to your participation in this exciting MAA venture of taking substantive action to honor extraordinarily successful teaching. We want to see such teaching recognized at all post-secondary school levels. We depend on you to help us identify those who merit such recognition.
PLEASE TYPE

Nominee's Name (First name first): _________________________________________________

College or University Affiliation: __________________________________________________

College or University Address: ____________________________________________________

City: _____________________________________ State: ____________ Zip: ____________

Nominee's email address: _______________________________

Is the nominee a current member of the Mathematical Association of America? ____________

Nominee's number of years teaching experience in a mathematical science: ______________

Has the nominee taught at least half time in a mathematical science during the current academic
year or during the previous year if on approved leave or sabbatical? _________________________

In the space below, please briefly describe the unusual personal and professional qualities of the
nominee that contribute to his or her extraordinary teaching success.

Name of nominator (First name first): _______________________________________________

Address: _______________________________________________________________________

Telephone: ______________________ Email: _______________________________________

Signature: ____________________________ Date __________________