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Monday, July 28		8:00am–5:00pm Project NExT Registration	
11:00am–5:00pm 1:30pm–9:00pm	Project NExT Registration 1st Floor Lobby Univ. of Wisconsin Lowell Center Project NExT Workshop (for 2008–2009 Fellows) Univ. of Wisconsin Lowell and Pyle Centers	8:15am–5:30pm 8:30am–2:30pm	1st Floor Lobby Univ. of Wisconsin Lowell Center Project NExT Workshop (for 2007–2008 and 2008–2009 Fellows) Univ. of Wisconsin Lowell and Pyle Centers The Madison Tour
Tuesday, July 8:00am-5:00pm	29 Project NExT Registration 1st Floor Lobby Univ. of Wisconsin Lowell Center	9:00am–5:00pm	Part 2: Two Day Short Course Capital Ballroom B Concourse Hotel Game—Theoretic Modeling:
8:30am–5:25pm	Project NExT Workshop (for 2008–2009 Fellows) Univ. of Wisconsin Lowell and Pyle Centers	2:00pm–7:00pm	Techniques and Applications Michael A. Jones, Montclair State University Registration
9:00am–5:00pm	Part 1: Two Day Short Course Capital Ballroom B Concourse Hotel Game—Theoretic Modeling: Techniques and Applications	2:45pm–4:00pm 4:30pm–5:30pm	Lakeside Commons, Level 1 Monona Terrace CUSAC Meeting Concourse Hotel, Conference Room II MAA–PME Student
2:00pm–8:00pm	Michael A. Jones, Montclair State University New Governors Orientation Capitol A, Concourse Hotel	5:30pm–6:45pm	Reception Senate Rooms AB Concourse Hotel Undergraduate Activity Wisconsin Ballroom Concourse Hotel
Wednesday, Ju 8:00am-5:00pm	<b>11y 30</b> MAA Board of Governors Capital AB, Concourse Hotel		Math JEOPARDY John Harris, Furman University Mike Berry, University of Tennessee Mike Mossinghoff

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Schedule of Events Monday, Tuesday, Wednesay

6:30pm–7:30pm	<b>Opening Reception</b> Madison Ballroom Monona Terrace	9:30am–9:40am	The Guessing Secrets Problem: Classical and Quantum Algorithms	
7:30pm–9:30pm	Opening Banquet		Michael Nathanson, St. Mary's College of California	
Thursday, July	Capitol AB Ballroom, Monona Terrace 31	9:50am–10:05am	Permutation Patterns and Patience Sorting: Sophisticated Combinatorics From a Simple Card Game	
8:00am – 4:00pm	Registration		Isaiah Lankham,	
	Lakeside Commons Level 1, Monona Terrace		Simpson University	
8:30am–9:20am	MAA Invited Address	8:30am–10:30am	Contributed Paper Session	
	Ballroom AB, Monona Terrace		Hall laeas F, Monona Terrace	
	Intellectual Need and its Role in Mathematics Instruction		of Mathematics That Enhance the Teaching and	
	Guershon Harel, University of		Learning of Mathematics I	ſ
9.20am 10.20am	California, San Diego Contributed Dener Soccion		Daniel Curtin, Northern Kentucky University	C
0.30am-10.30am	Hall Ideas E. Monona Terrace		Amy Shell–Gellasch,	
	Fascinating Examples from		Pacific Lutheran University	
	Combinatorics, Discrete Mathematics, and Graph	8:30am–8:40am	Conjectures on Egyptian Fractions	
	Theory		Mehdi Radjabalipour, University of Koman	
	Suzanne Dorée, Augsburg College	9.45am 9.55am	Drain Injury and	
	Nancy Ann Neudauer, Pacific University	0.43a111-0.33a111	Mathematical Discovery:	
8:30am–8:45am	Applications of Graph		The Enigma of Stanislaw Ulam	_
	Theory to Conservation Biology		Alexander G. Atwood, Suffolk	hu
	Kav Smith. Saint Olaf Colleae		County Community College	rsd
8:50am-9:05am	Equal Circle Packing On a	9:00am–9:10am	Edlin's Enigma	ay
	Square Torus		Anne E. Edlin, La Salle University	
	William Dickinson, Grand Valley State University	9:15am–9:25am	Maya Mathematical Presentation	
9:10am–9:25am	Solving Instant Insanity Without Going Insane		Doy O. Hollman, Linscomb University	
	Rachel Marie Robertson, Michigan Technological University			

9:30am–9:40am	My Mathematician is Better than Your Mathematician	9:15am–9:25am	Math Chats: Engaging Students in Mathematics Outside the Classroom
	Sarah Mabrouk, Framingham State University		Robin Lydiann Anderson,
9:45am–9:55am	Positive Impacts From Using the History of Mathematics When Teaching Students With Weak Mathematical Backgrounds	9:30am–9:40am	Southwestern Illinois College Mathematics Skills Assessment and Training in Freshman Engineering Courses
	Ciaran Mac an Bhaird, National University of Ireland, Maynooth		Janet Marie McShane, Phillip MIsna, Jennifer Maynard,
10:00am–10:10am	The Calculation of Galois		Chester Ismay, and Sarah Brown, Northern Arizona University
	Methods With the Aid of Mathematica	9:45am–9:55am	Lessons Learned From a Calculus Redesign Project
	Matt David Lunsford, Union University		Jennifer McLoud–Mann, University of Texas at Tyler
10:15am–10:30am	The Role of History of Mathematics	10:00am–10:10am	Google's PageRank for Beginners: A Directed Graph
	Dr. Pragati, Jain, SIMS, Indore		Example for Liberal Arts Math Courses
8:30am–10:30am	General Contributed Paper Session I		Rebecca S. Wills, Roanoke College
	Meeting Room O Monona Terrace	10:15am–10:25am	Frontloading Statistical
	Sarah Mabrouk, Framingham State College		an Introductory Statistics Course
8:30am–8:40am	Redesigning Developmental Math to		Kate McGivney, Shippensburg University
	More Efficient and Effective	8:30am–10:30am	MAA Student Paper Session (1)
	Sue Beck, Morehead State University		Meeting Room L Monona Terrace
8:45am–8:55am	Report on Progress in Developmental Algebra at Lindsev Wilson College	8:30am–10:30am	MAA Student Paper Session (2)
	Scott Dillery, Lindsey Wilson Collogo		Meeting Room M Monona Terrace
9:00am–9:10am	Using a Homework Notebook in College	8:30am–10:30am	MAA Student Paper Session (3)
	Algebra Patricia Kiibno, Illinois College		Meeting koom N, Monona Terrace
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8:30am–10:30am	MAA Student Paper Session (4)	9:30am–10:30am	Contributed Paper Session
	Meeting Room Q, Monona Terrace		Hall Ideas I, Monona Terrace
8:30am–10:30am	MAA Student Paper Session (5)		Teaching Mathematics and Statistics Through Current Civic Issues
	Meeting Room R, Monona Terrace		Rikki Waastrom and
9:00am–10:20am	Panels and Other Sessions		Cynthia Kaus,
	Ballroom C, Monona Terrace		Metropolitan State University
	The Role of Quantitative Literacy Centers in Supporting Students and Faculty	9:30am–9:45am	Developing "Mathematics and Social Justice." A Course Which Incorporates Social
	Maura Mast, University of Massachusetts, Boston		Justice Issues and Service– Learning Projects
9:00am–5:00pm	Art Exhibit		Lisa Marano, West Chester University of Pennsylvania
	Exhibit Hall B Monong Terrace	9·50am-10·05am	Global Consciousness Social
0.00.2m 5.00.nm	Exhibits and Book Salos	7.50um 10.05um	Responsibility, Ethical
9.00am-9.00pm	Exhibit Hall B		Awareness (and MATH!) at Westminster
	Monona Terrace		Bradford Bvnum.
9:00am–5:00pm	Undergraduate Activities		Westminster College
	Exhibit Hall B, Monona Terrace Student Hospitality Center	10:10am–10:25am	Integrating Service Learning Projects in
	Richard and Araceli Neal, American Society for the		a Differential Equations Course
	Communications of Math		John Zobitz, Augsburg College
9:30am–10:20am	MAA Invited Address Ballroom AB, Monona Terrace	10:30am–11:20am	Earle R. Hedrick Lecture Series
	<b>Ecological and Evolutionary</b>		Ballroom AB, Monona Terrace
	Consequences of Species Interactions		Lecture 1   Mathematics Meets Art, Puzzles, and
	Claudia Neuhauser, University of Minnesota		Magic
	·····		Erik Demaine, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
		1:00pm-1:50pm	MAA Lecture for Students
			Ballroom A, Monona Terrace
			Sudoku: Questions, Variations, and Research
			Laura Taalman, James Madison University
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1:00pm-2:20pm	Panels and Other Sessions Lecture Hall, Monona Terrace	2:20pm-2:40pm	Teaching Mathematics to Biology Majors Using the Scientific Method
	Writing for MAA Periodicals Lowell Beineke, Indiana		James Fulton and Linda Sabatino, Suffolk County
	University – Purdue University Fort Wayne and Editor, The College Mathematics Journal	2:40pm-3:00pm	Community College Discussion on Integrating
	Ivars Peterson, MAA Director of		Biology and Mathematics James Fulton, Suffolk County
	Communications		Community College
1:00pm–3:00pm	Contributed Paper Session		Timothy Comar, Benedictine University
	Ballroom D, Monona Terrace	1:00pm–3:00pm	Contributed Paper Session
	Integrating Biology and Mathematics		Hall Ideas E, Monona Terrace
	James Fulton, Suffolk County		Mathematics
	Community College		Paul R. Coe and Kristen
	Timothy Comar, Benedictine University		Schemmerhorn, Dominican University
1:00pm–1:20pm	Analyzing the Interaction of Species: Game Theory in a Calculus Course	1:00pm–1:15pm	Problems From the Pages of the Journal of Recreational Mathematics That are Still
	Lee Stemkoski, Adelphi University		Charles Ashbacher, Mount Mercy College
1:20pm–1:40pm	Biofuels, <i>Useful</i> Arithmetic and Embodied Energy	1:20pm–1:35pm	Combinatorics, Probabilities,
	Ben Fusaro, Elavida Stata University		Tournaments
1:40pm–2:00pm	Biology, Discrete		Matthew Menzel, Marietta College
	Mathematics and Theoretical	1:40pm–1:55pm	Re—Distributing and
	Dr. Atabong Timothy Agendia and Dr. Awunglefack Dominic		Reconstruction Probabilities in Horse Races, Voting Theory, and Poker
2:00pm-2:20pm	Fobelian, BaaP Systems Using Knot Theory to Model		Michael Jones and John Stevens, Montclair State University
	DNA: An Undergraduate Research Project	2:00pm-2:15pm	Voting Off: How Bad Can It Be?
	William Schellhorn, Simpson College		Dylan Helliwell, Seattle University

2:20pm-2:35pm	Mathematical Thinking With Magic Squares	2:40pm–3:00pm	The Homeless Average Age 9? Examining a Bad Statistic	
	Hossein Behforooz, Utica College		Adam Molnar,	
2:40pm-2:55pm	Stuck in a Sudoku		Bellarmine University	
	Helen Schroeder, University of Wisconsin – Stout	1:00pm–3:00pm	Minicourse   1 Hall Ideas G, Monona Terrace	
1:00pm–3:00pm	Contributed Paper Session		A Game Theory Path to	
	Hall Ideas I, Monona Terrace		Quantitative Literacy	
	Teaching Mathematics and Statistics Through Current		Rick Gillman, Valparaiso University	SC
	Civic Issues		David Housman, Goshen College	
	Rikki Wagstrom and Cynthia Kaus, Metropolitan State University	1:00pm–3:00pm	General Contributed Paper Session 2	ed
1:00pm-1:20pm	Authentic Discovery Learning Projects in		Meeting Room O Monona Terrace	
	Statistics with Constructs From Environmental and		Sarah Mabrouk, Framingham State College	P
	Social Science Disciplines Diana Spence and Robb Sin, North Georgia College & State University	1:00pm–1:10pm	Mathematical Myths: Some Interesting Facts and Fictions	of
1:20pm–1:40pm	The Gini Coefficient: Measuring Inequality in Resource Allocation		Linda Becerra and Ron Barnes, University of Houston– Downtown	Eve
	Michael Catalano, Dakota Wesleyan University	1:15pm-1:25pm	Resourceful Session Before a Developmental Math Test	nt
1:40pm-2:00pm	Confounder Influence on Cases Attributed		Gowribalan Ananda Vamadeva, University of Cincinnati	<u>s</u>
	Milo Schield, W. M. Keck Statistical Literacy Project	1:30pm–1:40pm	Developing Mathematical Thinkers — Laying the	Thu
2:00pm-2:20pm	Equity: Not Just a Goal, But a Vehicle in Introductory		Foundation for Successful Math Majors	ırsda
	Statistics		Trae Holcomb, United States	V V
	Lawrence Lesser, The University of Texas at FI Paso	1·//5nm_1·55nm	The "No WAY!" Moment in	
2:20pm-2:40pm	College Algebra in Context:	1. <del>1</del> .55pm	Mathematics	
	A Report and Examples From an NSF Project		Mike Krebs, California State University, Los Angeles	
	Michael Catalano, Thomas Pfaff and Tanya Leise, Dakota Wesleyan University			

2:00pm–2:10pm	Visual Mathematics for the Visually Impaired: Reflections and Strategies	2:00pm–2:30pm	High Points in the Encyclopedia of Triangle Centers
	Mandi Shea Maxwell, Trinity Christian College		Clark Kimberling, University of Evansville
2:15pm-2:25pm	The Ultimate Class Projectand No Grade!	2:30pm–3:00pm	Special Quadrilaterals and Special Conics
	Terry Jo Leiterman, St. Norbert College		James L. Parish, Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville
2:30pm-2:40pm	The Mathematics of Games as Experiential Learning	3:00pm–3:30pm	Algebraic Ramifications in Triangle Geometry
	Jacob Robert Heidenreich, Loras College		Steve Sigur, The Paideia School, Atlanta, Georgia
2:45pm-2:55pm	Academic Program Review	3:30pm–4:00pm	The Equation of Euler's Line
	Siamack Bondari and		Yields a Tzitzeica Surface
	Monika Vo, Saint Leo University		Bogdan Suceava, California State University, Fullerton
1:00pm–3:00pm	Minicourse   2 Hall Ideas I. Monona Torraco	1:00pm-5:00pm	Proiect NExT
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	Applications		Vilas, Hilton
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1.00pm 4.00pm	Ballroom C, Monona Terrace	2:00pm–3:00pm	Green Tour
	Classical Euclidean		Meet at Lakeside Commons, Monona Terrace
	Devil Viu	2:00pm–5:00pm	Invited Paper Session
	Florida Atlantic University		Hall Ideas H, Monona Terrace
1:00pm-1:30pm	The Circles of Lester, Evans, Parry, and Their		lsoperimetric Problems and Manifolds With Density
	Generalizations		Frank Morgan, Williams College
	Paul Yiu, Florida Atlantic University	2:00pm–3:55pm	Pi Mu Epsilon Student Paper Session 1
1:30pm–2:00pm	Use of Oriented Angles and Their Extension to		Meeting Room L Monona Terrace
	n–Sections Eisso J. Atzema,	2:00pm-3:55pm	Pi Mu Epsilon Student Paper Session 2
	University of Maine		Meeting Room M, Monona Terrace

2:00pm-3:55pm	MAA Student Paper	3:30pm–3:40pm	Three Colorings in Graphs	
	Session o Meetina Room N. Monona Terrace		Gary Chartrand and Ping Zhang, Western Michigan University	
2:00pm–3:55pm	MAA Student Paper Session 7		Futaba Okamoto, University of Wisconsin–La Crosse	
	Meeting Room Q, Monona Terrace		Zsolt Tuza, Hungarian Academy	
2:00pm-3:55pm	MAA Student Paper		Pannonia	
	Session 8 Meeting Room R. Monong Terrace	3:45pm-3:55pm	Signed Graph Coloring, a	
2·30nm_5·00nm	Panels and Other Sessions		Art of Linear Algebra	
zisopin stoopin	Ballroom B, Monona Terrace		Steven Morse and Elisha	
	MAA Section Officers Meeting		Peterson, United States Military Academv (West Point)	
	Moderator: Nancy L. Hagelgans, Ursinus College	4:00pm– 4:10pm	Open Source Software: What Can It Do for You?	
3:00pm–4:20pm	Panels and Other Sessions		Tony Weathers,	
	Lecture Hall, Monona Terrace		Adams State College	
	SUMMA Special Session on MAA Summer Research Programs	4:15pm–4:25pm	Validating the Warrant $P(k) \rightarrow P(k+1)$ : Does Any Means Justify the Ends?	
	William Hawkins, MAA and University of the District of		Tabitha T. Mingus, Western Michigan University	
	Columbia Robert Megginson,		Richard M. Grassl, University of Northern Colorado	
3:15pm–5:15pm	General Contributed Paper Session 3	4:30pm–4:40pm	The Lorentz Transformation as a Visual Consequence of the Swiveled Line Theorem	
	Meeting Room O Monona Terrace		John E. dePillis, University of California, Riverside	
	Sarah Mabrouk, Framingham State College	4:45pm-4:55pm	The Explicit Solution to an	
3:15pm–3:25pm	Pizza Delivery: 2—Stop— Return Distances in Graphs		Infinite Linear Differential Equation System	
	Ralucca Gera, Naval Postgraduate School		Mahmoud F. Almanassra, University of Wisconsin– Marinette	
	Linda Eroh, Steven J. Winters, and Grady Bullington, University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh	5:00pm–5:10pm	Exploring Prime Gaps with CAS (Computer Algebra System) Technology	
			Jay Lawrence Schiffman,	

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	3:15 pm–5:45pm	Invited Paper Session Ballroom D. Monona Terrace	3:35pm-3:50pm	What is Mathematics and Why Won't It Go Away?
		Graph Theory With Connections to Geometry		Susan Jane Colley, Oberlin College
		and Topology Joshua Laison,	3:55pm-4:10pm	Teaching Art, Literature, Science, Theater, Speech, and Computer Science All in
	2.45	Willamette University		One Mathematics Course
lay	3:15pm—3:45pm	the Colorful Tale of Thickness—Two Graphs		Julie Barnes, Western Carolina University
nurso		Ellen Gethner, University of Colorado – Denver	4:15pm-4:30pm	Viewing Mathematics as Human Endeavor
Ĩ	3:45pm-4:15pm	Visibility Graphs: Different		Mike Pinter, Belmont University
		Models of Sight	4:35pm-4:50pm	MathTV: A Curiously Funny Mathematical Production
Its		Stephen Hartke, University of Nebraska – Lincoln		Michelle Ghrist, U.S. Air Force Academy
	4:15pm–4:45pm	Recent Rectangle Visibility Results		Cynthia Elizabeth Chin,
		Alice Dean, Skidmore College		Madison East High School
Ĺ	4:45pm–5:15pm	Crossing Numbers		Jeffrey Sanders, Oberlin College
of		Michael Pelsmajer, Illinois Institute of Technology		Jonathon Glam, U.S. Air Force Academy
ule (	5:15pm–5:45pm	Recognition Algorithms for Some Generalization of Interval Graphs	4:55pm–5:10pm	This World, and Others: <i>FLATLAND</i> in the Classroom, Rehearsal Studio, Theater, and Beyond
		Art Busch, University of Dayton		Mary Paulson,
	3:15pm–6:15pm	Contributed Paper		Madison East High School
Ļ		Session Hall Ideas F, Monona Terrace	5:15pm–5:30pm	Mathematicians Can Participate in Faculty Development for the Arts &
S		Incorporating Humanities and the Arts into the		Humanities
		Mathematics Classroom (and Vice Versa)		David Edward Boliver, University of Central Oklahoma
		Michelle Ghrist, U.S. Air Force Academy	5:35pm–5:50pm	Combinators, Topology, and Graph Theory in Jorge Luis
	3:15pm-3:30pm	Mandala as the Key to Teaching Trigonometry to		"The Library of Babel"
		Multiple Intelligences Paul F. Stang		William L. Bloch, Wheaton College

5:55pm–6:10pm	Running Circles 'round the Truth: A Mathematical Perspective on Deconstructive	4:35pm–4:50pm	Gender Division of Labor in Parenting: A Game—Theoretic Perspective	
	Michael Wodzak, Viterbo University		Angela Vierling–Claassen, Lesley University	
3:15pm-6:15pm	Contributed Paper Session	4:55pm–5:10pm	Four Stories in Applied Mathematics	
	Hall Ideas I, Monona Terrace		William Joseph Stazer, 3M Company	
	Actual Problems, Actual Mathematics — Applied Mathematics in Science and the Classroom I	5:15pm–5:30pm	Elementary Physical Chemistry Problems in Multi–Variable Calculus	ocne
	William Stone, New Mexico Institute of Mining		George Rublein, College of William and Mary	
	and lechnology Stanban David Davidson Collogo	5:35pm–5:50pm	Predator–Prey Models – A	
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	William Stone, New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology		The Brachistochrone Revisited: A Timely	
	Stephen Davis, Davidson College		Consideration	
3:35pm–3:50pm	Energy Efficient Flight: Decision—Making		Alfred Paul Lehnen, Madison Area Technical College	Ë
	Mathematics Glider Pilots Use to Soar Great Distance	3:30pm–5:00pm	Graduate Student Sessions	S S
	Michael Lundin, Central Washington University		Exhibit Hall B, Monona Terrace	
3:55pm-4:10pm	What Else Can You Do With		Graduate Student Poster Session	[hur:
	Doug Shaw		James Freeman, Cornell College	sda
	University of Northern Iowa	3:30pm–5:30pm	Minicourse   3	V
4:15pm-4:30pm	The Math Behind a Roll—		Hall Ideas G, Monona Terrace	
	Call Vote Chen—Han Sung, Texas A&M International University		Teaching a Proof—Based Course as the Gateway to the Mathematics Major	
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		James Sandefur, Georgetown University	
			Connie Campbell, Millsaps College	

3:30pm–5:30pm	Minicourse   4	5:00pm–6:00pm	Graduate Student Session
	Han laeas J, Monona Terrace		Senale AD, Concourse Holer
	How to Run a Successful Math Circle		Graduate Student Reception
	Matthias Beck,		David Manderscheid, University of Nebraska–Lincoln
	San Francisco State University		James Freeman, Cornell College
	Tatiana Shubin, San Jose State University	5:00pm–6:30pm	SIGMAA on Teaching Advanced High School
	Sam Vandervelde, Saint Lawrence University		Mathematics
4:00pm-5:00pm	Panels and Other Sessions		Ballroom C, Monona Terrace
	Ballroom A, Monona Terrace		Business Meeting and Reception
	SIGMAA on the History of Mathematics		Creating a Post–Calculus Pre–Calculus Course for
	Grand Unveiling and Reception		Advanced High School Students
	Amv Shell–Gellasch,	7:00pm-10:00pm	Jazz on the Terrace
	Pacific Lutheran University		Rooftop, Monona Terrace
4:20pm–6:15pm	Undergraduate Activities		17
	Pi Mu Epsilon Student Paper Session 3	Friday, August	t 1
	Meeting Room L Monona Terrace	8:00am – 4:00pm	Registration
4:20pm-6:15pm	Pi Mu Epsilon Student Paper Session 4	8.20am 0.20am	Monona Terrace
	Meeting Room M	0.30diii—9.20diii	Ballroom AB, Monona Terrace
4:20pm–6:15pm	Monona Terrace MAA Student Paper		The Chaotic Evolution of
	Session 9		DeneldCoeri
	Meeting Room N Monona Terrace		Donala Saari, University of California, Irvine
4:20pm-6:15pm	MAA Student Paper Session 10	8:30am–10:30am	General Contributed Paper Session 4
	Meeting Room Q Monona Terrace		Meeting Room O, Monona Terrace
4:20pm-6:15pm	MAA Student Paper Session 11		Sarah Mabrouk, Framingham State College
	Meeting Room R Monona Terrace		

8:30am–8:40am	The Status of Mathematics Education in Palestine	8:30am–10:30am	MAA Student Paper Session 12	
	AbdelNaser Al-Hasan, MSOE &		Meeting Room L, Monona Terrace	
8:45am–8:55am	An–Najan National Oniversity Assessing General Education	8:30am–10:30am	MAA Student Paper Session 13	
	James Hamblin,		Meeting Room M Monona Terrace	
9:00am–9:10am	Shippensburg University Calculus: One Lesson Study at	8:30am–10:30am	MAA Student Paper Session 14	
	a Time		Meeting Room N	
	Joy Becker, Christopher P. Bendel, and Helen Schroeder, University of Wisconsin–Stout	8:30am–10:30am	Monona Terrace MAA Student Paper Session 15	
9:15am–9:25am	Applying Active— Cooperative Learning in		Meeting Room Q Monona Terrace	
	Christopher K. Cartwright,	8:30am–10:30am	MAA Student Paper Session 16	
9:30am–9:40am	Calculus: Where We've		Meeting Room R Monona Terrace	
	Been; Where Are We Going?	8:30am–10:30am	<b>Contributed Paper Session</b>	
	Karen Rhea, University of Michigan		Hall Ideas E, Monona Terrace	
9:45am–9:55am	CAGD, Geometer's Sketchpad and Secondary Mathematics		Fascinating Examples from Combinatorics, Discrete Mathematics, and Graph Theory	
	Murphy Waggoner, Simpson College		Suzanne Dorée, Augsburg College	
10:00am–10:10am	Mathematicians' Uses of Computer Algebra Systems in Mathematics Teaching in		Nancy Ann Neudauer, Pacific University	
	the UK, US, and Hungary	8:30am–8:45am	Adapting Hosoya's	
	Zsolt Lavicza, University of Cambridge		Vertex Enviroment Descriptor	
	Laszlo Erdodi, Eastern Michigan University		Matthew G. Hudelson, Washington State University	
10:15am–10:25am	Teaching Statistics from A to Z	8:50am–9:05am	Viewing the Hamming Code in its Natural Habitat	
	Jason Joseph Molitierno, Sacred Heart University		Paul Weiner, Saint Mary's University of Minnesota	

## Schedule of Events Friday

9:10am–9:25am	MIT vs. Harvard: The Mathematics of Good Will Hunting	8:50am–9:05am	Using Video Podcasts to Model Critical Thinking in Undergraduate Mathematics
	Kristina Garrett, St. Olaf College		Jennifer Kosiak,
9:30am–9:45am	Generalized Permutation Descents and Inversions Controlled By a Drop Sequence	9:10am–9:25am	Using Technology to Promote Reflective Discourse: Combining Dynamically
	William Griffiths IV and Albert Bush. Southern Polvtechnic		Connected Representations With Video Reflection
	State University		Douglas A. Lapp, Central Michiaan Universitv
9:50am–10:05am	Edge Cut Cycles and Cutting Numbers of Cycles and	9:30am–9:45am	Popcorn Statistics
	Graphs Dianna Spence, Brad Bailey, and John Holliday,		Allan Struthers, Michigan Technological University
	North Georgia College and State University	9:50am–10:05am	YouTube in the Classroom
	Peter D. Johnson.		Andrew S. Leahy, Knox College
10.10 10.25	Auburn University	10:10am–10:25am	Online Collaboration with a Wiki in Real Analysis
10:10am–10:25am	Cover Times for Stars, Sparklers, and the Petersen Graph		Elisha Peterson, United States Military Academy
	Robert Dobrow, Rebecca Ferrell, Miranda Fix and Michael Duyzend,	8:30am–10:30am	Contributed Paper Session Hall Ideas I, Monona Terrace
	Carleton College		Incorporating Humanities
8:30am–10:30am	Contributed Paper Session Hall Ideas F, Monona Terrace		Mathematics Classroom (and Vice Versa)
	Creative Uses of Emerging Technologies for		Michelle Ghrist, U.S. Air Force Academy
	Mathematics Teaching Lila F. Roberts, Clayton State University	8:30am–8:45am	Math Modeling Can Help Build Bridges to the Humanities
	David R. Hill, Temple University		Rick L. Spellerberg,
8:30am–8:45am	Mathematics on the iPhone		Simpson College
	Lila F. Roberts, Clauton State University	8:50am–9:05am	Group Theory is Child's Play
	Clayton State University		Pamela Warton, University of Findlay

9:10am–9:25am	Mathematical World: Liberal Arts Mathematics	9:30am–10:20am	Earle R. Hedrick Lecture Series
	With an Art Emphasis		Ballroom AB, Monona Terrace
9:30am–9:45am	Patricia Oakley, Goshen College Perspective Drawing Experiment in a Freshman		Lecture 2   Origami, Linkages and Polyhedra: Geometric Folding Algorithms
	Interdisciplinary Seminar Anna Davis,		Erik Demaine, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
	Ohio Dominican University	10:30am–11:20am	James R. Leitzel Lecture
9:50am–10:05am	An Artistic Exploration		Ballroom AB, Monona Terrace
	to Measure Theory and Dimension		Building Mathematical Communities
	Zdenka Guadarrama, Rockhurst University		T. Christine Stevens, Saint Louis University
10:10am–10:25am	An "Unreasonable" Reading	11:30am–12:00pm	MAA Prize Session
	Component to a Reasonable		Ballroom AB, Monona Terrace
	Transitional Class		Moderator: Martha J. Siegel
	Gizem Karaali, Pomona College	11:30am–12:30pm	Green Tour
9:00am–10:30am	SIGMAA on Research in		Meet at Lakeside Commons, Monona Terrace
	Mathematics Education	11:30am–1:30pm	Square Wheeled Bicycle Demonstration
	Meeting Room K, Monona Terrace		Exhibit Hall B, Monona Terrace
	Workshop on Essential Reasoning Abilities and Conceptual Foundations of	1:00pm–1:50pm	NAM David Blackwell Lecture
	Calculus		Lecture Hall , Monona Terrace
	Marilyn P. Carlson, Arizona State University		Random Dynamics and Memory: Structure Within
9:00am–5:00pm	Art Exhibit		Chaos
	Exhibit Hall B, Monona Terrace		Salah–Eldin A. Mohammed, Southern Illinois Ilniversitv–
9:00am–5:00pm	Exhibits and Book Sales		Carbondale
	Exhibit Hall B, Monona Terrace	1:00pm–1:50pm	Undergraduate Activities
9:00am–5:00pm	Undergraduate Activities		Session
	Exhibit Hall B, Monona Terrace		Ballroom A, Monona Terrace
	Student Hospitality Center		What is the Color of My Hat?
	Richard and Araceli Neal, American Society for the Communications of Math		Ezra (Bud) Brown, Virginia Tech

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	1:00pm–1:50pm	Undergraduate Student Activities Session	2:00pm-2:15pm	Modeling Protein — DNA Complexes Using Tangles
		Ballroom B, Monona Terrace		Isabel Darcy, University of Iowa
		Mathematics in Forensics	2:20pm–2:35pm	Mathematical Modeling of
		Dan Russel, Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation		Bo Su, Iowa State University
	1:00pm–3:00pm	Invited Paper Session	1:00pm-3:00pm	Contributed Paper Session
		Ballroom C, Monona Terrace		Hall Ideas H, Monona Terrace
		Ramanujan's Impact on Number Theory– Then and Now		Interesting Topics in History of Mathematics that Enhance the Teaching and Learning of Mathematics II
		James Sellers, Penn State University		Daniel Curtin,
		Krishna Alladi, University of Florida		Amy Shell–Gellasch, Pacific Lutheran University
		George Andrews, Penn State University	1:00pm–1:15pm	Motivating Infinite Series
		Bruce Berndt, University of		Through Modified Leap Years
		Illinois at Urbana–Champaign		Robert Myers, Bethel College
		Ken Ono, University of Wisconsin	1:20pm–1:35pm	Napier's "Logarithms" Weren't
	1:00pm–3:00pm	Invited Paper Session		Andrew deLong Martin,
		Ballroom D, Monona Terrace		Kentucky State University
	1:00pm–1:15pm	Mathematical Biology	1:40pm–1:55pm	Fermat's Shrinking Rectangles
		Julie Mitchell, University of Wisconsin		Amy Shell–Gellasch, Pacific Lutheran University
	1:20pm–1:35pm	Multiple Equilibria and Global Attractors in Biochemical Reaction Network Dynamics Gheorahe Craciun.	2:00pm-2:15pm	It's Just Thin Air: Resistance and Projectile Motion
				Shawnee McMurran, California State University San Bernardino
	1:40pm–1:55pm	<i>University of Wisconsin</i> Physical Chemical Principles for Mathematical Analysis	2:20pm–2:35pm	Thomas Harriot's Pythagorean Triples: Could He List Them All?
		and Simulation of Large– Scale Biochemical Systems		Janet L. Beery, University of Redlands
		Daniel Beard, Medical College of Wisconsin	2:40pm-2:55pm	What's Interesting About the Number 1729?
				Peter Schumer, Middlebury College

1:00pm-3:00pm	General Contributed Paper Session 5	2:30pm-2:40pm	The Elementary Mathematical Theory of	
	Meeting Room K, Monona Terrace		Parallelism, Convergence and Divergence	
	Sarah Mabrouk, Framingham State College		Stewart Ernest Brekke, International University for	
1:00pm–1:10pm	Angle Trisection in the Nine Pointed Star, and	1:00pm–3:00pm	<i>Graduate Studies</i> Minicourse   2	
	Paul Stana		Hall Ideas J, Monona Terrace	
1:15pm–1:25pm	Dissecting 2 <i>n</i> —Gons to Approximate the Circle—Squaring Process		The Ubiquitous Catalan Numbers and Their Applications	Sch
	Pamela B. Pierce and Jeffrey Willert,		Thomas Koshy, Framingham State College	<b>N</b> e
	The College of Wooster	1:00pm–3:00pm	Minicourse   1	
1:30pm-1:40pm	Exploring a Quartet of		Hall Ideas G, Monona Terrace	
	Iriangle Theorems – Old and New Insights via Geometer's Sketchnad		A Game Theory Path to Quantitative Literacy	P
	Gregory Gerard Wojnar, Frostburg State University		Rick Gillman, Valparaiso University	of
1:45pm–1:55pm	Limit Cycles From a Sum and	1:00pm–3:20pm	David Housman, Goshen College	
	Concatenated Sequence		Contributed Paper	e
	Richard Brazier, Penn State University – DuBois Campus	Session Hall Ideas E, Monona Terrace	n	
	Shauna Knarr and Andra Barraclough, Penn State University		Projects and Demonstrations That Enhance a Differential Equations Course	
2:00pm-2:10pm	The Harmonic Series: Used, Abused, and Confused		Shawnee McMurran, California State University, San Pownerdine	Frida
	Scott Hochwald, University of North Florida		San Bernaramo Richard Marchand, Slippery Pock University	Ŋ
2:15pm–2:25pm	A Streamfunction—Velocity Based Simulation of the Laminar Flow Past a Square	1:00pm–1:20pm	Exploring Differential Equations Using MS Excel	
	Cylinder		Sarah Mabrouk,	
	Jiten C. Kalita, Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati, INDIA		Framingham State College	

	1:20pm–1:40pm	The Laplace Transform: Motivating the Definition	1:20pm–1:35pm	Using CaluMath Software to Create Interactive Web Pages for College Algebra
		Howard I. Dwyer, Monmouth College		Pre–Calculus, and Calculus
	1:40pm–2:00pm	Integrating Synaptic Models into a Different Equations		Peter Turbek, Purdue University Calumet
		Course	1:40pm–1:55pm	Interactive CaluMath Web
		Joe Latulippe, Cal Poly Pomona		Algebra and Pre–Calculus
day	2:00pm–2:20pm	Desktop Circuits: Audio Data Collection		Jeff Gregg, Purdue University Calumet
Fri		Allen Struthers, Michigan Technological University	2:00pm-2:15pm	Capturing a Class: Adventures with Tegrity
ts	2:20pm-2:40pm	Getting Your Hands Wet in a Differential Equations Course		Kevin William Dennis and Chad Kjorlien, Saint Mary's University of Minnesota
		Terry Jo Leiterman,	2:20pm–2:35pm	"Tabulating" Mathematics
e		St. Norbert College		Denise LeGrand and
	2:40pm–3:00pm	Fundamental Solutions of Dirac System	2:40pm–2:55pm	Using Tablet PCs in
f		Wen Liu and Gro Hovhannisyan, Kent State University		Calculus 1 Christonher K. Cartwright
	3:00pm–3:20pm	Stabilizing Elastic Beams		Lawrence Technological Iniversity
lle		Richard Marchand, Slippery Rock University	3:00pm–3:15pm	Using Clickers to
q	1:00pm–4:00pm	Contributed Paper Session		Communication
ē		Hall Ideas F, Monona Terrace		In Mathematics
ch		Creative Uses of Emerging Technologies for Mathematics Teaching		Erick Horacker and Kathryn Teresa Ernie, University of Wisconsin – River Falls
S		Lila F. Roberts, Clayton State University	3:20pm–3:35pm	Using Clickers Toward Conceptual Understanding:
		David R. Hill, Temple University		Experiences in Statistical
	1:00pm–1:15pm	Mathematical Handwriting Recognition for Education		Teri Jo Murphy, University of Oklahoma
		Peter Garst, Enventra, Inc.	3:40pm-3:55pm	ICLICK the MATH in Class
				Chen—Han Sung, Texas A&M International University

1:00pm–5:00pm	Project NExT Doty, Hilton		Aaron Brakoniecki, Michigan State Universtiy
1:00pm-5:00pm	Project NExT		Henry Kepner, Kevin McLeod,
<b>F</b>	Vilas, Hilton		and DeAnn Huinker, University of Wisconsin- Milwaukee
1:00pm–5:00pm	Project NExT		Inel Zeitlin and Ierrold Gold
	Tenny, Hilton		California State University,
2:00pm–3:30pm	Panels and Other Sessions		Northridge
	Lecture Hall, Monona Terrace	2:15pm–3:35pm	Panels and Other Sessions
	MAA Alder Awards Session		Ballroom B, Monona Terrace
	Moderator–Joseph Gallian, University of Minnesota, Duluth, MAA Procident		Using On—Line Homework in Mathematics Classes
2:00pm–4:55pm	Pi Mu Epsilon Student Paper Session 5		Michael E. Gage, Arnold L. Pizer and Vicki Roth University of Rochester
	Meeting Room L, Monona Terrace	3:15pm–5:15pm	Invited Paper Session
2:00pm–4:55pm	Pi Mu Epilson Student Paper		Ballroom D, Monona Terrace
	Session 6 Meeting Room M, Monona Terrace		Implications for Teaching of Research on Learning
2:00pm-4:55pm	Pi Mu Epilson Student Paper Session 7		Patrick Thompson, Arizona State University
	Meeting Room N, Monona Terrace	3:15pm–3:30pm	The Role of Quantitative
2:00pm–4:55pm	MAA Student Paper Session 17		Reasoning in Learning Word Problems in Pre–Calculus Mathematics
	Meeting Room Q, Monona Terrace		Marilyn Carlson, Avizona Stato University
2:00pm–4:55pm	MAA Student Paper	2.25.000	Arizona state oniversity
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2:15pm-3:35pm	Panels and Other Sessions		Experiments:
	Ballroom A, Monona Terrace		Abstract Algebra
	Teachers for a New Era's Impact on Mathematics		Sean Larsen, Portland State University
	Education	3:55pm-4:10pm	Successful and Unsuccessful
	Magnhild Lien, California State University, Northridge		Students' Learning Strategies in Real Analysis
	Nancy Marcus, University of Texas, El Paso		Keith Weber, Rutgers University

	Implications for the Mathematics That Teachers Teach		Understanding, and Do Not Concentrate on Manipulations Which Hinder This
	Pat Thompson, Arizona State University		Herman Rubin, Purdue University
3:15pm–4:35pm	Panels and Other Sessions Ballroom C, Monona Terrace	4:15pm-4:25pm	Strengthening and Assessing College
	How to Apply for Jobs		Outcomes in
	David Manderscheid, University of Nebraska–Lincoln		General Education Mathematics Courses
3:15pm–5:30pm	General Contributed Paper Session 6		Xuhui Li, California State University, Long Beach
	Meeting Room O Monona Terrace	4:30pm-4:40pm	The Effect of Knotting on the Shape of Polymers
	Sarah Mabrouk, Framingham State College		Kenneth Cary Millett, University of California
3:15pm-3:25pm	Challenging Gifted High School Students	4:45pm-4:55pm	SPLN—What is it?
	Vince Matsko, IMSA		Monika Vo, St. Leo University
3:30pm–3:40pm	Cross–Cultural Analysis of Females Identified with Exceptional Mathematical Talent	5:00pm–5:10pm	Teaching Mathematics to Lebanese Engineers: The Experience of the Ecole Supérieure
	Janet E. Mertz, University of Wisconsin – Madison		d'Ingénieurs de Beyrouth
	Titu Andreescu, University of Texas – Dallas		Salim Wehbé Salem, Ecole Supérieure d'Ingénieurs de Bevrouth
	Joseph A. Gallian, University of Minnesota Duluth	5:15pm–5:25pm	Facilitating IBL Classroom Issues With Technology
	Jonathan Kane, University of Wisconsin – Whitewater		Glenn Hurlbert, Arizona State University
3:45pm-3:55pm	Compass and Straightedge Constructions, Without a Compass		Anzona state oniversity
	Charlotte Schulze–Hewett, Harper College		

3:15pm–6:15pm	Contributed Paper Session Hall Ideas H, Monona Terrace	4:55pm-5:10pm	Some Interesting Applications of Numerical
	Projects, Applications and		Analysis in Science and Engineering
	Demonstrations to Enhance a Numerical Analysis or Computational Mathematics		Muhammad Usman, University of Dayton
	Course	5:15pm–5:30pm	Truth, Justice and the
	Olga Brezhneva, Miami University		Bounds: A Case Study in Interval Analysis
	David Coulliette, Asbury College		Matthew Glomski,
3:15pm–3:30pm	Muscle Contraction Modeling — This Will Pump You Up!	5.25mm 5.50mm	Marist College
2.25.00	David Coulliette, Asbury College	5:35pm—5:50pm	Providing Options: Making Projects Work for a Diverse Audience
5:55pm=5:50pm	Generalization, Generalizations are		Andrew John Miller, Belmont University
	Generally Good (in numerics) Anthony Tongen, James Madison University	5:55pm–6:10pm	Projects and Illustrations That Can Be Used In a
			Numerical Analysis Course
3:55pm-4:10pm	Expert vs. Novice		Miami University
	Understanding of Estimation Using Taylor Series	3:30pm–5:30pm	Contributed Paper Session
			Hall Ideas E, Monona Terrace
	Jason Howard Martin, University of Oklahoma		How To Get Students to Read the Text and Does This Matter?
4:15pm–4:30pm	Computational Applications		Mike Axtell, Wabash Colleae
	Nicoleta Eugenia Tarfulea, Purdue University Calumet		Joe A. Stickles Jr. and Paula R. Stickles, Millikin University
4:35pm–4:50pm	Exploring Computational Mathematics: Unfolding Polyhedra	3:30pm–3:45pm	Read It— Techniques to Get It to Happen
	Brittany Terese Fasy,		Allen Hibbard, Central College
	Duke University David Millman, UNC – Chapel Hill	3:50pm–4:05pm	"Do Real Mathematicians Read The Book?": Encouraging Mathematical Maturity Via Reading Checks
			Andrea Frazier, North Central College

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4:10pm-4:25pm	Assessing Student Growth in Reading Mathematics	4:00pm–5:30pm	SIGMAA on the Philosophy of Mathematics
	Bonnie Gold,		Ballroom A, Monona Terrace
	Monmouth University		Guest Lecture and Reception
4:30pm–4:45pm	Learning Styles and Measurable Reading Assignments		Mo Hirsch, University of California, Berkeley
	Rachel Esselstein, California State University, Monterey Bay	4:00pm–5:45pm	Panels and Other Sessions Lecture Hall, Monona Terrace
4:50pm–5:05pm	What Do Students Actually		Hard Problems: Movie
	Read, and Its Educational		George Csicsery, Zala Films
	Dill Dybolt, Babson Collogo	4:15pm–5:15pm	Contributed Paper Session
5.10mm 5.25mm	Bill Rybolt, Babson College		Hall Ideas E, Monona Terrace
5:10pm—5:25pm	Necessarily What They "Get"		Advances in Recreational Mathematics
	Mary D. Shepherd, Northwest Missouri State University		Paul R. Coe and Kristen Schemmerhorn.
3:30pm–5:30pm	Minicourse   5		Dominican University
	Hall Ideas G, Monona Terrace Perspective Viewing and	4:15pm-4:30pm	Falling Through the Earth in the <i>Mirror of the World</i>
	Drawing Make Good Math Problems		Andrew Simoson, King College
	Marc Frantz, Indiana University	4:35pm-4:50pm	N + k Queens Reflection
	Annalisa Crannell, Franklin & Marshall College		Doug Chatham, Morehead State University
3:30pm-5:30pm	Minicourse   6	4:55pm–5:10pm	First Occurrence
5.50pm 5.50pm	Hall Ideas J, Monona Terrace		Odd Abundant
	Mathematics and the		Number Sequences
	Geometry of Voting		Jay Schiffman, Rowan University
	Donald G. Saari, University of California Irvine	4:30pm–6:00pm	SIGMAA on Environmental Mathematics
			Ballroom D, Monona Terrace
			Guest Lecturer and Business Meeting
			Models for Managing Forested Landscape
			Joseph Buongiorno, University of Wisconsin

5:00pm–7:45pm	Undergraduate Activities Grand Terrace, Monona Terrace		William Stone, New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology
	Pi Mu Epsilon Student Banquet and Awards Ceremony		Stephen Davis, Davidson College
7:00pm–9:00pm	UW-Madison Alumni	8:30am–8:45am	Problem Formulation for Sustainability
	Keumon UW-Madison Campus, Van Vleck Hall		Chulin Likasiri, Chiang Mai University
8:00pm–8:50pm	Pi Mu Epsilon J. Sutherland Frame Lecturer	8:50am–9:05am	A Modular Approach to Teaching a Course in Application—Based Problem Solving
	Ballroom AB, Monona Terrace The Symmetries of Things		Benjamin Galluzzo, University of Iowa
	John H. Conway, Princeton University		Theodore Wendt, University of Wisconsin – La Crosse
9:00pm–10:00pm	MAA Ice Cream Social Grand Terrace, Monona Terrace	9:10am–9:25am	Using Simulation to Verify Biological Model Fit with Field Data
Saturday Aug	rust 2		Scott Searcy and Paul Bartelt, Waldorf College

### Saturday, August 2

7:00am–9:00am	5K Fun Run/Walk	9:30am–9:45am	Modeling the Buoyancy Properties of Virginia Class	
	Meet in the Lobby, Monona Terrace		Submarines	
8:00am–2:00pm	Registration		James S. Rolf and Kimberly Swetz, United States Air Force Academy	
8·30am_9·20am	Monona Terrace ΔWM–MΔΔ Etta 7	9:50am–10:05am	Euler's Constant in	
0.30um 9.20um	Falconer Lecture		Mostafa Ghandehari and	
	Ballroom AB, Monona Terrace		Siamak Ardekani,	
	The Circle:		University of Texas at Arlington	
	From Antiquity to Today	10:10am–10:25am	Wavelet Transforms: The	
	Rebecca Goldin, George Mason University		Linear Algebra Approach	
			Jenae Beauchamp, Eastern	
8:30am–10:30am	Contributed Paper Session		Connecticut State University	
	Hall Ideas I, Monona Terrace	8:30am–10:30am	General Contributed Paner Session 7	
	Actual Problems, Actual Mathematics — Applied		Hall Ideas I, Monona Terrace	
	Mathematics in Science and the Classroom		Sarah Mabrouk, Framingham State College	
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	8:30am–8:40am	Statistics'r'us – Reshaping Students' Attitude From Aversion and Anxiety to	10:00am–10:10am	Common Misconceptions in Middle School Math Textbooks
		Curiosity and Confidence Laszlo Erdodi,		Jerome Dancis, University of Maryland
		Eastern Michigan University Zsolt Lavicza,	10:15am–10:25am	Maplets for Calculus— Tutoring Without the Tutor
	8·45am_8·55am	University of Cambridge		Philip B. Yasskin, Texas A&M University
rday	0.+Jam-0.JJam	Topic in Mathematical/ Statistical Education		Douglas B. Meade, University of South Carolina
atur		Deborah Gougeon, University of Scranton	8:30am–10:30am	Contributed Paper Session
Š	9:00am–9:10am	The Next Phase In		Meeting Room M Monona Terrace
nts		Developing Effective Teaching Techniques For Undergraduate College Algebra Courses		Fascinating Examples from Combinatorics, Discrete Mathematics, and Graph Theory
Ve		Jonathan Paul Lambright, Savannah State University		Suzanne Dorée, Auasbura Colleae
Ú Y	9:15am-9:25am	Let's Do This Once: Folding Vector Calculus into Multivariable Calculus		Nancy Ann Neudauer, Pacific University
0		Using Geometry and Language	8:30am–8:45am	Changing Dimensionality in Data Processing
lle		Aaron Wangberg, Winona State University		Amy Mihnea, Florida Atlantic University
qu	9:30am–9:40am	Dual Enrollment Using Mathxl	8:50am–9:05am	Building Fast Communications Networks:
he		William Calbeck, LSU–Alexandria		A Brief Introduction to Expanders and Ramanujan Graphs
Sc	9:45am-9:55am	College Entrance Examinations You Need to Pass to Be a Middle School or		Mike Krebs, California State University, Los Angeles
		High School Mathematics Teacher in Japan	9:10am–9:25am	Minimum Spanning Trees: An In—Class Project
		Kazuko Ito West,		Pallavi Jayawant, Bates College
		Keio Academy of New York	9:30am–9:45am	Egalitarian Matching and Normalized Matching
				Mark Joseph Logan, University of Minnesota – Morris

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9:50am–10:05am	A Graph Theoretic Proof That There Are Only Five Platonic Solids	9:50am–10:05am	Students and College Algebra Textbooks	
	Alan Alewine,	0.20	Satish C. Bhatnagar, UNLV	
	McKendree University	8:30am–10:30am		
10:10am–10:25am	The Pohlig—Hellman Exponentiation Cipher as a Bridge Between Classical and Modern Cryptography		Incorporating Humanities and the Arts into the Mathematics Classroom (and Vice Versa)	
	Joshua Holden, Rose–Hulman Institute of Technology		Michelle Ghrist,	
8:30am–10:30am	Contributed Paper Session		U.S. Air Force Academy	
	Meeting Room N, Monona Terrace	8:30am–8:45am	Teaching the Mathematics of Music	P
	How To Get Students to Read the Text and Does This Matter?		Rachel Hall, Saint Joseph's University	
	Mike Axtell, Wabash College	8:50am–9:05am	Mathematics in Music:	
	Joe A. Stickles, Jr. and Paula R. Stickles,		An Interdisciplinary Course	
	Millikin University		James Richard Hughes, Elizabethtown College	
8:30am–8:45am	Learning to Read and Reading to Learn: The Value of Reading the Text Before	9:10am–9:25am	A Musical Journey Through Abstract Algebra	
	Class		Samuel A. Lopes, University of Poto, Portugal	
	Matt Boelkins, Grand Vallev State Universitv	9:30am–9:45am	Leading a Book Discussion	
8:50am–9:05am	Homework Can Motivate Students to Read the Book	J.Journ J. Isum	in a Liberal Arts Mathematics Class	<b>S</b>
	Richard Maher, Lovola University Chicago		Russell Goodman, Central College	S
9:10am–9:25am	Journal Forms to Test Student's Understanding	9:50am–10:00am	Honor—ing Mathematics History	aturc
	Amy Wehe and Rala Diakite,		Tracey McGrail, Marist College	lay
	Fitchburg State College	10:10am–10:25am	Finite, Infinite, and	
9:30am–9:45am	An Analysis Sketchbook: Rethinking Texts to Generate Student Interest		Timothy Agendia Atabong, Madonna University, Nigeria	
	Clark Wells,	8:30am–10:30am	Contributed Paper Session	
	Grand Valley State University		Meeting Room R Monona Terrace	

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	Interesting Topics in History of Mathematics that Enhance the Teaching and	9:00am–10:30am	Math Matters: Numerate Approaches to Everyday Issues
	Learning of Mathematics		Ballroom C, Monona Terrace
	Daniel Curtin, Northern Kentucky University		Maura Mast, University of Massachusetts at Boston
	Amy Shell—Gellasch, Pacific Lutheran University	9:00am–10:30am	Undergraduate Activity
8:30am–8:45am	Connecting Pascal's Triangle to Geometry and Trigonometry		Hall Ideas E, Monona Terrace MAA Mathematical Contest in Modeling (MCM) Winners
	Tom McMillian and Jim Fulmer, University of Arkansas at Little Pock		Ben Fusaro, Florida State University
8:50am–9:05am	Treasures in Three	9:00am–10:30am	SIGMAA on Research in Undergraduate
	Joyati Debnath, Winona State University		Mathematics Education Hall Ideas F, Monona Terrace
9:10am–9:25am	"Vedic" Decimal Fraction Patterns		Workshop on Essential Reasoning Abilities and
	Jeff Johannes, SUNY Geneseo		Conceptual Foundations of
9:30am–9:45am	Ghosts of Departed Errors: Berkeley's Mathematical Objections to the Calculus		Marilyn P. Carlson, Arizona State University
	Eugene Boman, Penn State	9:00am–2:00pm	Art Exhibit
	University, Harrison Campus		Exhibit Hall B, Monona Terrace
9:50am–10:05am	Mathematician or Poet	9:00am–2:00pm	Exhibits and Book Sale
	Mohammad Moazzam, Salishury University		Exhibit Hall B, Monona Terrace
10·10-25-20	Who Discovered	9:00am–2:00pm	Undergraduate Activities
10.10am-10.23am	Discontinuous		Exhibit Hall B, Monona Terrace
	Derivatives?		Student Hospitality Center
	Dave Lawrence Renfro, ACT, Inc.		Richard and Araceli Neal, American Society for the Communications of Math
9:00am–10:20am	Finding a Good Fit in a Graduate Program	9:30am–10:20am	Earle R. Hedrick Lecture Series
	Hall Ideas H, Monona Terrace		Ballroom AB, Monona Terrace
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Erik Demaine, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

9:30am–10:30pm	Math Horizons Session	1:00pm–3:00pm	Invited Paper Session	
	Lecture Hall, Monona Terrace		Ballroom D, Monona Terrace	
10:30am–11:20am	MAA Invited Address		History of Mathematics	
	Ballroom AB, Monona Terrace		Amy Shell–Gellasch,	
	Generalizing "ℓ": The Combinatorics of "ℓ" Sequences		Pacific Lutheran College Shawnee L. McMurran, California State University, San Bernardino	
	Carla Savage, North Carolina State University	1:00pm-1:15pm	Motivating Infinite Series Through Modified Leap Years	S
11:00am–12:00pm	Green Tour		Robert Myers, Bethel College	$\overline{\mathbf{n}}$
	Meet at Lakeside Commons, Monona Terrace	1:20pm–1:35pm	Napier's "Logarithms" Weren't	he
11:30am–12:00pm	MAA Business Meeting Ballroom AB, Monona Terrace		Andrew deLong Martin, Kentucky State University	d
	Moderated by Martha J. Siegel, Towson University,	1:40pm–1:55pm	Fermat's Shrinking Rectangles	le
1:00pm–2:00pm	MAA Secretary Flatland: Movie		Amy Shell–Gellasch, Pacific Lutheran University	0
	Ballroom B, Monona Terrace	2:00pm–2:15pm	It's Just Thin Air: Resistance and Projectile Motion	
1:00pm–2:20pm	Creating a Post–Calculus Pre–Calculus Course for Advanced High School		Shawnee McMurran, California State University, San Bernardino	lve
	Students Lecture Hall, Monona Terrace	2:20pm–2:35pm	Thomas Harriot's Pythagorean Triples: Could He List Them All?	nt
	Dan Teague, NC School of Science and Mathematics		Janet L. Beery, University of Redlands	<u> </u>
	Dan Lotesto, Milwaukee Public Schools	2:40pm–2:55pm	What's Interesting About	Satu
1:00pm–2:20pm	First—Year Courses Designed to Attract Students to the Serious		Peter Schumer, Middlebury College	urday
	Study of Mathematics	1:00pm–3:00pm	<b>Contributed Paper Session</b>	
	Ballroom A, Monona Terrace		Hall Ideas F, Monona Terrace	
	Michael Starbird, University of Texas		Innovations in Mathematics Education I	
	James Sellers, Penn State University		Nancy Leveille and Carol Vobach, University of Houston–Downtown	

1:00pm–1:10pm	Supplementing Pre–Service Mathematical Content Courses with Online	2:30pm–2:40pm	Technology, Conjecture and Proof: Exposing the Thinking of Teachers
	Homework		Kathryn Shafer, Bethel College
1·15nm_1·25nm	Michael B. Scott, California State University, Monterey Bay Development of a Survey	2:45pm–2:55pm	University Geometry: Pre–Service Teachers' Views on Its Pole in
1.15pm 1.25pm	to Assess Pre–Service		the Classroom
	Teachers' Views and Uses of Problem–Solving in Mathematics		Angela Marie Hodge, North Dakota State University
	Iane Ries Cushman	1:00pm–3:00pm	Minicourse   3
	Buffalo State College		Hall Ideas G, Monona Terrace
1:30pm–1:40pm	Focusing Pre—Service Elementary Teachers' Thinking on Children's		Teaching a Proof—Based Course as the Gateway to the Mathematics Major
	Thinking in Order to Deepen Their Mathematical		James Sandefur, Georgetown University
	Jeff Gregg and Gayle Millsaps,		Connie Campbell, Millsaps College
1:45pm–1:55pm	Using Cryptography to	1:00pm–3:00pm	General Contributed Paper Session 8
	Future Middle School		Hall Ideas I, Monona Terrace
	Teachers		Sarah Mabrouk,
	Bonnie Saunders and		Framingham State College
2.00nm_2.10nm	Janet Simpson Bessinger, University of Illinois at Chicago Vertically Connecting	1:00pm–1:10pm	The Impact of K-12 Mathematics on College Mathematics
2.00pm=2.10pm	College and Middle Grades Mathematics: The Two–Problem		Magdalena Luca, Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences
	Comparison Paper Theresa A. Jorgensen,	1:15pm-1:25pm	Induced Topologies and Separation Axioms
	University of Texas at Arlington		Jay Stine, Misericordia University
2:15pm–2:25pm	The Impact of Teaching for Understanding Experiment in 8–12th	1:30pm–1:40pm	An Integral Representation for Zeta( <i>n</i> )
	Grade Mathematics		Ranjith A Munasinghe, WVU Institute of Technology
	Jonn Hasenbank and Jennifer Kosiak, University of Wisconsin – La Crosse		

1:45pm–1:55pm	Addressing the Hammer-	1:00pm–4:15pm	<b>Contributed Paper Session</b>	
	and-Nail Phenomenon in Mathematics Classrooms		Hall Ideas E, Monona Terrace	
	Kien Hwa Lim, University of Texas at El Paso		Fascinating Examples from Combinatorics, Discrete Mathematics, and Graph	
2:00pm-2:10pm	Modified Taylor Polynomials		Theory	
	Sayel Ali, Minnesota State University, Moorhead & The Potroloum Institute (Abu Dhahi		Suzanne Dorée, Augsburg College	
	Radwan Al-jarrah, Southwestern		Nancy Ann Neudauer, Pacific University	
2:15pm-2:25pm	Obsession From the Greeks:	1:00pm–1:20pm	Fibonacci Trees: A Dream Come True	
	Doubling Cubes, Squaring Circles, Trisecting Angles, and Constructing		Benjamin V.C. Collins, University of Wisconsin – Platteville	
	Regular Polygons Charlie Smith, Park University	1:25pm–1:45pm	Using Recursion to Study Mathematical Induction, Schur Numbers, and the Pill Problem	
2:30pm-2:40pm	Factor, Factor - Who's Got the Factor?		Keith Brandt, Rockhurst University	
	Leslie Horton, Delta State University	1:50pm–2:10pm	An Unexpected Appearance of Continued Fractions	
2:45pm–2:55pm	An Idealized Mathematical Model of a Runner Built-Up From the Angle-of-Lean		David Molnar and Adam McDougall, University of Iowa	
	Michael Edward Zeidler, Retired	2:15pm–2:35pm	Numerals Based on the	
1:00pm–3:00pm	Minicourse   4		Golden Ration	
	Hall Ideas J, Monona Terrace		Bruce Walker Atkinson, Samford University	
	How to Run a Successful Math Circle	2:40pm–3:00pm	Activities Exploring the	
	Matthias Beck, San Francisco State University		Collatz Conjecture – An Unsolved Problem in Fifth Grade Arithmetic	
	Tatiana Shubin, San Jose State University		Doug Shaw, University of Northern Iowa	
	Sam Vandervelde, Saint Lawrence University	3:05pm–3:25pm	Edge Nets of Cubes	
1:00pm-3:00pm	Graduate Paper Session		Vince Matsko, IMSA	
	Meeting Room M, Monona Terrace	3:30pm-3:50pm	Hard to Guard Art Galleries	
	James Freeman, Cornell College		T.S. Michael, United States Naval Academy	

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3:55pm–4:15pm	Paint By Numbers:	4:30pm–5:00pm	Ramanujan's Dream
	Constructing a Map That Needs Nineteen Colors		Marc Chamberland Grinnell College
	Todd Cadwallader Olsker, California State University, Fullerton	1:30pm–5:00pm	Aldo Leopold Legacy Center Trip
1:00pm–5:00pm	Invited Paper Session		Meet in the Lobby Monona Terrace
	Ballroom C, Monona Terrace	2:00pm-3:15pm	Undergraduate Activity
	Research With Undergraduates		Meeting Room R Monona Terrace
	Mario Martelli, Claremont–McKenna College		Do Dogs Know Calculus? Bifurcations at the Beach
1:00pm–1:30pm	From Chaos to Colleagues		Tim Pennings, Hope College and
	Annalisa Crannell,		his dog Elvis
	Franklin & Marshall College	2:30pm–3:45pm	Undergraduate Activity
1:30pm–2:00pm	Knot Theory Research with Undergraduates		Ballroom A, Monona Terrace
	Colin Adams, Williams College		Student Problem Solving Competition
2:00pm–2:30pm	Compactness in Metric Trees		Richard Neal, American Society
	Asuman Aksoy, Claremont-McKenna College		for the Communication of Mathematics
2:30pm–3:00pm	Building Communities Through REU Programs	3:00pm–4:20pm	The Role of Open Source Math Projects in the Mathematics Community
	Carlos Castillo–Chavez, Avison o Stato University		Lecture Hall Monona Terrace
3:00pm–3:30pm	How to Juggle Seven		Charles Weaver,
	Undergraduate Student Projects Without Dropping		
	Any		University of Missouri
	Jacqueline Jensen, Sam Houston State University		Michael Scott, California State University, Monterey Bay
3:30pm–4:00pm	The Applied Representation Theory Group at Harvey	3:15pm–5:15pm	General Contributed Paper Session 9
	Mudd College		Hall Ideas I, Monona Terrace
	Michael Orrison, Harvey Mudd College		Sarah Mabrouk, Framingham State College
4:00pm–4:30pm	Tracing Certain <i>n</i> — Dimensional Space Point		
	Aihua Li, Montclair State University		

3:15pm-3:25pm	Illuminating Group Lattices	5:00pm–5:10pm	Biharmonic–Extension Space	
	Nancy Rodgers, Hanover College		Ibtesam Bajunaid, King Saud University	
	Doug Anewalt, University of Kontuclus	3:15pm–5:15pm	Invited Paper Session	
2.20 2.40	University of Kentucky		Ballroom B, Monona Terrace	
3:30pm–3:40pm	Elastic—plastic Transition of Transversely Isotropic Thin		Gems in Number Theory	
	Rotating Disc		Sarah Mabrouk, Framingham State College	
	Noida Manojshani,	3:15pm–3:40pm	A Tale of Two Curves	L
	Jaypee Institute of Information		Ezra Brown, Virginia Tech	
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	Rotating Disc		Richard K. Guy, University of Calgary	
	Sanjeev Sharma, Jaypee Institute of Information	4:10pm–4:30pm Solutions	Two Ways to Count to Polynomial Equations	
4:00pm–4:10pm	Technology University A Generalization of		Margaret Robinson, Mt. Holyoke College	C
	Taylor's Theorem: A	4:35pm–5:10pm	Biscuits of Number Theory	
	Using Mathematica		Art Benjamin,	
	Radwan Al–jarrah, Southwestern Oklahoma State University		Harvey Muda College Ezra Brown. Virainia Tech	ſ
	Savel Ali, Minnesota State	3:15pm-5:15pm	Contributed Paper Session	
	University, Moorhead & The		Hall Ideas E, Monona Terrace	
4:15pm-4:25pm	Petroleum Institute/Adu Didol Probe into Goldbach Problem		Innovations in Mathematics Education II	
	Liu Maocheng, Shengli Petroleum Bureau		Nancy Leveille and Carol Vobach, University of	batu
4:30pm-4:40pm	Beyond Classic: New Solution		Houston–Downtown	rqa
	to Generalized Quadratic Function and Equation	3:15pm–3:25pm	Geometer's Sketchpad	V
	Roland Shen, Olympia Institute		Teaching Aid for Secondary	
4:45pm–4:55pm	Multipliers and Operators on The Tempered Ultra— distributional Spaces of Roumieu Type for The Hankel Type Transformation		School Level Abd Rahim Abd Salim, University Teknologi Petronas	
	Shrideh Khalaf Alomari			

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	School	3:15pm–3:25pm	The Box Method for
	Melissa A. Stoner, Lehigh University		leaching Ratio and Proportion Problems
4:00pm–4:10pm	PRAXIS Project WI:		Jim Sullivan, Dallas ISD
	Interactive Learning Objects	3:30pm-3:40pm	Simultaneous Binary Collicion for the Collinear
	Kathryn Teresa Ernie and Erick Hofacker, University of		Four Body Problem
	Wisconsin – River Falls		Duokui Yan,
4:15pm–4:25pm	Math 201: Mathematics,		Brigham Young University
	Power	3:45pm–3:55pm	Paracycles in Snell Geometries
	Alan P. Knoerr, Occidental College		Jack Mealy and Cicily Smith, Austin College
4:30pm–4:40pm	Place Value Arithmetic via Polynomials	4:00pm-4:10pm	Thin Film Over Thin Porous Layers
	Jeff Johannes, SUNY Geneseo		Kumnit Nong,
4:45pm-4:55pm	Preparing Elementary		George Mason University
	School leaching Candidates to Meet Changing Licensure	4:15pm–4:25pm	On the Representation of Recursive Functions by Integrals
	Requirements in Mathematics		Raymond Stanley Puzio,
	Donna Beers, Simmons College	4.20 4.40	PlanetMath
5:00pm–5:10pm	Using Prediction Items and Clickers to Address	4:30pm–4:40pm	Applications of Geometric Power Series
	Misconceptions		Mulatu Lemma,
	University of Texas at El Paso	4.45.000 4.55.000	Savannan State University
3·15nm_5·15nm	Graduate Student	4:4 <b>5pm</b> –4:55pm	Mechanics With Designer Conservation Laws
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	James Freeman, Cornell College		

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	Annalisa Crannell, Franklin & Marshall College		Meet in the Lobby Concourse Hotel
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	Mathematics and the Geometry of Voting		

Donald G. Saari,

University of California, Irvine

### New Titles from the Mathematical Association of America:



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Thursday, July 31:

11:30am-12:00pm- John DePillis author of "777 Mathematical Conversation Starters"

Friday, August 1:

11:30am-12:00pm- Art Benjamin author of "Secrets of Mental Math"

12:00pm-12:30pm- Keith Kendig author of "Sink or Float? Thought Problems in Math and Physics"

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### Earle R. Hedrick Lecture Series

### FUN WITH ALGORITHMS AND FOLDING

Erik Demaine, Massachusetts Institute of Technology



### Lecture 1

Mathematics Meets Art, Puzzles, and Magic

Thursday, July 31 10:30 a.m.–11:20 a.m. Ballroom AB, Monona Terrace

Solving and designing puzzles, creating sculpture

and architecture, and inventing magic tricks all lead to fun and interesting algorithmic problems. I will describe some of our explorations into these areas (much together with my father, Martin Demaine).

### Lecture 2

### Origami, Linkages, and Polyhedra: Geometric Folding Algorithms

Friday, August 1 | 9:30 a.m.-10:20 a.m Ballroom AB, Monona Terrace

What forms of origami can be designed automatically by algorithms? What shapes can result by folding a piece of paper flat and making one complete straight cut? What polyhedra can be cut along their surface and unfolded into a flat piece of paper without overlap? When can a linkage of rigid bars be untangled or folded into a desired configuration? Geometric folding algorithms is a branch of discrete and computational geometry that addresses these and many other intriguing questions.

### Lecture 3

### Transformers, Reconfigurable Robots, and Hinged Dissections

Saturday, August 2 | 9:30 a.m.—10:20 a.m. Ballroom AB, Monona Terrace

How might we build reconfigurable robots like Transformers or Terminator 3? There are several geometric folding algorithms related to this question. I will focus on one such problem: designing a hinged chain of polygons or polyhedra that can be folded into several desired shapes.

### The James R. Leitzel Lecture

### **BUILDING MATHEMATICAL COMMUNITIES**

T. Christine Stevens, Saint Louis University

### Friday, August 1 | 10:30 a.m.-11:20 a.m. Ballroom AB, Monona Terrace



Now in its 15<sup>th</sup> year, Project NExT (New Experiences in Teaching) is an MAA program that has welcomed more than a thousand new PhD's into our profession. We will describe some of the achievements of this remarkable community of mathematical scientists

and explore their impact on the mathematical community at large. We will also reflect on the nature of professional communities and the role that they might play in pursuing the MAA's mission of advancing the mathematical sciences.

### **MAA Invited Address**

### INTELLECTUAL NEED AND ITS ROLE IN MATHEMATICAL INSTRUCTION

Guershon Harel, University of California at San Diego

Thursday, July 31 | 8:30 a.m.–9:20 a.m. Ballroom AB, Monona Terrace



Most students, even those who desire to succeed in school, are intellectually aimless in mathematics classes because often they do not realize an intellectual need for what we intend to teach them. The notion of intellectual need is inextricably linked to the

notion of epistemological justification. Generally speaking, epistemological justification refers to the learner's discernment of how and why a particular piece of knowledge came to be. We will discuss historical and philosophical aspects of these two notions, as well as ways teachers can be aware of students' intellectual need and address it directly in the undergraduate mathematics classroom.

### **MAA Lecture for Students**

### SUDOKU: QUESTIONS, VARIATIONS AND RESEARCH

Laura Taalman, James Madison University

Thursday, July 31 | 1:00 p.m.–1:50 p.m. Ballroom A, Monona Terrace



Sudoku puzzles and their variants are linked to many mathematical problems involving combinatorics, Latin squares, magic squares, polyominoes, symmetries, computer algorithms, the rook problem, graph colorings, and permutation group theory. In

this talk we will explore variations of Sudoku and the many open problems and new results in this new field of recreational mathematics. Many of the problems we will discuss are suitable for undergraduate research projects. Puzzle handouts will be available for all to enjoy!

### **MAA Invited Address**

### ECOLOGICAL AND EVOLUTIONARY CONSEQUENCES OF SPECIES INTERACTIONS

Claudia Neuhauser, University of Minnesota

Thursday, July 31 | 9:30 a.m.–10:20 a.m. Ballroom AB, Monona Terrace



Community genetics is a synthesis of community ecology and population genetics. It takes into account the interplay between genetic variation and community dynamics, which is of importance when selective forces are strong. Selective forces may be particularly

strong when systems undergo large perturbations, such as habitat fragmentation or introduction of new organisms. Mathematical modeling can play an important role in predicting the outcome of such interactions and in assessing when both ecological and evolutionary forces need to be taken into account. We will discuss models on host-symbiont systems, evolution of resistance to transgenic plants, and persistence of populations in fragmented habitats to highlight the importance of including both ecological and evolutionary forces into account.

### **MAA Invited Address**

### THE CHAOTIC EVOLUTION OF NEWTON'S UNIVERSE

Donald G. Saari, University of California, Irvine

### Friday, August 1 | 8:30 a.m.-9:20 a.m. Ballroom AB, Monona Terrace



After solving the two-body problem, Newton claimed that the three-body problem gave him a headache. It should; this is where chaos was discovered. In this talk, I will describe some of this story while showing why "chaos" must be expected in

*n*-body systems. Then I will describe the asymptotic evolution of all *n*-body systems; i.e., how our universe evolves.

### NAM David Blackwell Lecture

### RANDOM DYNAMICS AND MEMORY: STRUCTURE WITHIN CHAOS

Salah-Eldin A. Mohammed, Southern Illinois University-Carbondale

Friday, August 1 | 1:00 p.m.–1:50 p.m. Lecture Hall, Monona Terrace



We give an overview of the dynamics and long-term evolution of probabilistic models with finite memory. Such models are widely used to analyze dynamical systems whose evolution is influenced by random fluctuations and past history. These models are

important in diverse areas such as signal processing, option-pricing, economic and labor models, aircraft dynamics, materials science and population dynamics. Further details, please visit the Web link: *http://sfde.math.siu.edu/Blackwellabstract1.pdf*.

### AWM-MAA Etta Z. Falconer Lecture

### THE CIRCLE: FROM ANTIQUITY TO TODAY

Rebecca Goldin, George Mason University

Saturday, August 2 | 8:30 a.m.–9:20 a.m. Ballroom AB, Monona Terrace



In this talk, we will give a brief overview of several historically important aspects of the circle. We will then elaborate on some of the ways in which the circle is used currently in research in mathematics, with an emphasis on its role in

geometry. The circle remains a fundamental object for modern mathematics.

### MAA Invited Address

### GENERALIZING " $\ell$ ": THE COMBINATORICS OF " $\ell$ " SEQUENCES

Carla Savage, North Carolina State University

Saturday, August 2 | 10:30 a.m–11:20 a.m. Ballroom AB, Monona Terrace



The  $\ell$ -sequences, cousins of the Fibonacci sequence, are defined by the recurrence a(n) = 1 a(n-1) - a(n-2), with initial conditions a(0)=0, a(1)=1. They arise in diverse areas of combinatorics and we will highlight some of their fascinating properties. Many

fundamental identities in combinatorics involve binomial coefficients and their interpretations. We use  $\ell$ -sequences to define the " $\ell$ -nomial coefficient," a generalization of the binomial coefficient, and consider extending classical binomial combinatorics to the " $\ell$ -world".

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### **Invited Paper Sessions**

### **Classical Euclidean Geometry**

Paul Yiu, Florida Atlantic University

Thursday, July 31 | 1:00 p.m.– 4:00 p.m. Ballroom C, Monona Terrace

### Isoperimetric Problems and Manifolds With Density Frank Morgan, Williams College

Thursday, July 31 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Hall Ideas H, Monona Terrace

Graph Theory With Connections to Geometry and Topology Joshua Laison, Willamette University

*Thursday, July 31 | 3:15 p.m.–5:45 p.m. Ballroom D, Monona Terrace* 

### **Mathematical Biology**

Julie Mitchell, University of Wisconsin Gheorghe Craciun, University of Wisconsin

Friday, August 1 | 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. Ballroom D, Monona Terrace

### Ramanujan's Impact on Number Theory– Then and Now

James Sellers, Pennsylvania State University

Friday, August 1 | 1:00 p.m.–3:00 p.m. Ballroom C, Monona Terrace

### Implications for Teaching of Research on Learning Patrick Thompson, Arizona State University

Friday, August 1 | 3:15 p.m.–5:15 p.m. Ballroom D, Monona Terrace

### **History of Mathematics**

Amy Shell-Gellasch, Pacific Lutheran College Shawnee L. McMurran, California State University, San Bernardino

Saturday, August 2 | 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. Ballroom D, Monona Terrace

### **Research With Undergraduates** Mario Martelli, Claremont-McKenna College

Saturday, August 2 | 1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. Ballroom C, Monona Terrace

### **Gems in Number Theory**

Sarah Mabrouk, Framingham State College Thomas Koshy, Framingham State College

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### **Contributed Paper Sessions**

Interesting Topics in History of Mathematics that Enhance the Teaching and Learning of Mathematics

Daniel Curtin, Northern Kentucky University Amy Shell-Gellasch, Pacific Lutheran University

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Friday, August 1 | 1:00p.m.–3:00p.m. | Part II Hall Ideas H, Monona Terrace

### **Teaching Mathematics and Statistics**

Through Current Civic Issues Rikki Wagstrom, Metropolitan State University Cynthia Kaus, Metropolitan State University

Thursday, July 31 | 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Hall Ideas I, Monona Terrace

Thursday, July 31 | 1:00 p.m.–3:00 p.m. Hall Ideas F, Monona Terrace

### Advances in Recreational Mathematics Paul R. Coe, Dominican University Kristen Schemmerhorn, Dominican University

Thursday, July 31 | 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

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**Integrating Biology and Mathematics** James Fulton, Suffolk County Community College Timothy Comar, Benedictine University

*Thursday, July 31* | 1:00 p.m.–3:00 p.m. *Ballroom D, Monona Terrace* 

# **Contributed Paper Session**

### Actual Problems, Actual Mathematics — Applied Mathematics in Science and the Classroom

William Stone, New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology

Stephen Davis, Davidson College

Thursday, July 31 | 3:15 p.m. – 6:15 p.m. Hall Ideas I, Monona Terrace

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### Incorporating Humanities and the Arts into the Mathematics Classroom (and Vice Versa) Michelle Ghrist, U.S. Air Force Academy

Thursday, July 31 | 3:15 p.m.–6:15 p.m. Hall Ideas F, Monona Terrace

Friday, August 1 | 8:30 a.m.—10:30 a.m. Hall Ideas I, Monona Terrace

Saturday, August 2 | 8:30 a.m.—10:30 a.m. Meeting Room Q, Monona Terrace

### **Creative Uses of Emerging Technologies for Mathematics Teaching**

Lila F. Roberts, Clayton State University David R. Hill, Temple University

*Friday, August 1 | 8:30 a.m.–10:30 a.m. AND 1:00 p.m.–4:00 p.m. Hall Ideas F, Monona Terrace* 

### **Projects and Demonstrations That Enhance a Differential Equations Course**

Shawnee L. McMurran, California State University at San Bernardino Richard Marchand, Slippery Rock University

Friday, August 1 | 1:00 p.m.–3:20 p.m. Hall Ideas E, Monona Terrace

### How to Get Students to Read the Text and Does This Matter?

Mike Axtell, Wabash College Joe A. Stickles, Jr., Millikin University Paula R. Stickles, Millikin University

Friday, August 1 | 3:30 p.m.–5:30 p.m. Hall Ideas E, Monona Terrace

Saturday, August 2 | 8:30 a.m.—10:30 a.m. Meeting Room N, Monona Terrace Projects, Applications and Demonstrations to Enhance a Numerical Analysis or Computational Mathematics Course Olga Brezhneva, Miami University

David Coulliette, Asbury College Friday, August 1 | 3:15 p.m.–6:15 p.m.

Hall Ideas H, Monona Terrace

### Interesting Topics in History of Mathematics that Enhance the Teaching and Learning of Mathematics

Daniel Curtin, Northern Kentucky University Amy Shell-Gellasch, Pacific Lutheran University

Friday, August 1 | 1:00 p.m.–3:00 p.m. Hall Ideas H, Monona Terrace

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### Fascinating Examples from Combinatorics, Discrete Mathematics, and

Graph Theory Suzanne Dorée, Augsburg College

Nancy Ann Neudauer, Pacific University

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Saturday, August 2 | 1:00 p.m.–4:15 p.m. Hall Ideas E, Monona Terrace

**Innovations in Mathematics Education I** Nancy Leveille, University of Houston-Downtown Carol Vobach, University of Houston-Downtown

Saturday, August 2 | 1:00 p.m.–3:00 p.m. Hall Ideas F, Monona Terrace

**Innovations in Mathematics Education II** Nancy Leveille, University of Houston-Downtown Carol Vobach, University of Houston-Downtown

Saturday, August 2 | 3:15 pm – 5:15 pm Hall Ideas E, Monona Terrace

### General Contributed Paper Sessions Sarah Mabrouk, Framingham State College

### *Thursday, July 31 AND Friday, August 1 Meeting Room 0, Monona Terrace*

Saturday, August 2 Hall Ideas I, Monona Terrace

Each day– 8:30 – 10:30 a.m. | 1:00–3:00 p.m. | 3:15–5:15 p.m.

### The Role of Quantitative Literacy Centers in Supporting Students and Faculty Maura Mast, University of Massachusetts– Boston Cinnamon Hillyard, University of Washington –Bothell

### Thursday, July 31 | 9:00 a.m.— 10:20 a.m. Ballroom C, Monona Terrace

This panel will present a diversity of models for QL centers, based on the growing number of such centers. Panelists will discuss factors that have been important for success as well as lessons learned. Panelists will include: **Caren Diefenderfer**, Hollins University; **Corrine Taylor**, Wellesley College; **Nicole Hoover**, University of Washington–Bothell; **Judith Moran**, Trinity College, and **Cinnamon Hillyard**.

### Writing for MAA Periodicals

Lowell Beineke, Indiana University– Purdue University, Fort Wayne, Editor, *The College Mathematics Journal* Ivars Peterson, MAA Director of Publications for Journals and Communications

### *Thursday, July 31* | 1:00 p.m.– 2:20 p.m. *Lecture Hall, Monona Terrace*

What does it take to get published in one of the MAA journals? in *Math Horizons*? in MAA FOCUS? In this panel discussion, editors will describe what they look for in manuscripts, and award-winning authors will describe the origins and journeys of their papers.

### **MAA Section Officers Meeting**

### Thursday, July 31 2:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Ballroom B, Monona Terrace

This session will be moderated by Nancy L. Hagelgans, Ursinus College, chair of the MAA Committee on Sections.

### SUMMA Special Session on MAA Summer

### **Research Programs**

William Hawkins, MAA and University of the District of Columbia

### Robert Megginson, University of Michigan

### *Thursday, July 31* 3:00 p.m.– 4:20 p.m. *Lecture Hall, Monona Terrace*

Two site directors will discuss their research programs. There will be ample time for questions and discussion. Some funding will be available for Summer 2009 and additional funds are being sought. More information can be found on the NREUP website [http://www.maa.org/nreup]. The session is sponsored by CMPM and the MAA Office of Minority Participation.

### **Grand Unveiling and Reception** Amy Shell-Gellasch, Pacific Lutheran University

### *Thursday, July 31* 4:00 p.m.– 5:00 p.m. Ballroom A, Monona Terrace

Please join the History of Math SIGMAA and the MAA at the presentation of two new MAA posters: The Women of Mathematics poster and the Ethnomathematics poster. Funding for the Modern Women poster is from the MAA and Sun Micro Systems. Funding for the Ethnomathematics poster is from the MAA and HOM SIGMAA.

### **MAA Prize Session**

### Friday, August 1 | 11:30 a.m.- Noon

### Ballroom AB, Monona Terrace

This session will be moderated by Martha J. Siegel, Towson University, MAA Secretary.

### MAA Alder Awards Session

### *Friday, August 1* 2:00 p.m.– 3:30 p.m. *Lecture Hall, Monona Terrace*

In January, 2003, the MAA established the Henry L. Alder Award for Distinguished Teaching by a Beginning College or University Mathematics Faculty Member to honor beginning college or university faculty whose teaching has been extraordinarily successful and whose effectiveness in teaching undergraduate mathematics is shown to have influence beyond their own classrooms.

### This year's honorees are:

David Brown of Ithaca College | "Numbers, Trees and

Secrets: Getting Students to Think About Questions"

Jacqueline A. Jensen of Sam Houston State University | "Engaging Our Majors Outside the Classroom"

*Katherine Socha of St. Mary's College of Maryland* | "What does it think it's doing running west/When all the other country brooks flow east/To reach the ocean?..."

### Presentations will be given by the Award recipients.

### Teachers for a New Era's Impact on Mathematics Education Magnhild Lien, California State University, Northridge

### Friday, August 1 | 2:15 p.m. – 3:35 p.m.

### Ballroom A, Monona Terrace

In 2002 and 2003, 11 colleges and universities in the United States were designated "Teachers for a New Era Institutions" by the Carnegie Corporation of New York. The three TNE principles are 1) Decisions driven by evidence, 2) Engagements with the Arts and Sciences and 3) Teaching as an academically taught clinical practice profession. The panelists will discuss the impact of TNE on math education at their institutions; mathematical knowledge for teaching; changes that have been made in mathematics courses designed for prospective K-12 teachers; collaborations with (math) education faculty and research projects that are underway.

### Using On-Line Homework in Mathematics Classes

### Michael E. Gage, Arnold K. Pizer, and Vicki Roth University of Rochester

### Friday, August 1 2:15 p.m.– 3:35 p.m. Ballroom B, Monona Terrace

This panel discussion will present some of the diverse ways that on-line mathematics homework is currently being used in college and university mathematics classes. Focus will be on the effects of on-line homework and related tools on classroom dynamics. We will discuss in what ways (if any) they change what and how we teach. Panelists will include: **Karen Clark**, The College of New Jersey; **Andrew Bennett**, Kansas State University; **Robin Cruz**, Albertson College of Idaho; and **Maria Andersen**, Muskegon Community College. The panel will be moderated by **Vicki Roth**.

### How to Apply for Jobs David Manderscheid, University of Nebraska - Lincoln

### Friday, August 1 | 3:15 p.m.– 4:35 p.m. Ballroom C, Monona Terrace

This session is aimed at Ph.D. students and at recent Ph.D.s. An overview of the employment process will be given with ample opportunity for participants to ask questions. Questions that will be addressed include: How do you find which jobs are available? How do you choose which jobs you want to apply for? What are academic and other employers looking for in the materials that you send? What should you be doing now? Panelists will include: **Sharon Clarke**, Pepperdine University; **James Freeman**, Cornell College; **Sarah Ann Stewart**, Belmont University, and **David Manderscheid**. The session is co-sponsored by the MAA Committee on Graduate Students and the Young Mathematicians Network.

### Movie: Hard Problems Friday, August 1 | 4:00 p.m.-5:45 p.m.

### Lecture Hall, Monona Terrace

George Csicsery, Zala Films. An 85 minute documentary about the USA team's participation in the 2006 International Mathematical Olympiad in Slovenia. A question and answer session with Csicsery will follow the film. Other films by Csicsery are N is a Number: A Portrait of Paul Erdos, porridge pulleys and Pi, Invitation to Discover, Julia Robinson and Hilbert's Tenth Problem.

### Workshop on Essential Reasoning Abilities and Conceptual Foundations for Calculus Marilyn P. Carlson, Arizona State University

### Part 1: Friday, August 1 | 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Hall Ideas F, Monona Terrace

### Part 2: Saturday, August 2 | 9:00 a.m.– 10:30 a.m. Meeting Room K, Monona Terrace

This workshop will engage participants in tasks that promote reflection about the mathematical development that is needed to prepare students for success in calculus. The research literature on knowing and learning precaluclus and beginning calculus will be reviewed and discussed. Participants will view videos of students as they explain their thinking while responding to tasks designed to reveal their understandings and

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### **Finding a Good Fit in a Graduate Program** Abbe H. Herzig, SUNY at Albany

### Saturday, August 2 | 9:00 a.m.-10:20 a.m. Hall Ideas H, Monona Terrace

This interactive panel discussion will give students an overview of why they should consider graduate school, and how to find graduate programs that are the best fit for them. Graduate programs vary broadly. In this session we will help students learn how to investigate which programs best suit their individual interests, needs, and talents. This session is sponsored by the MAA Committee on Graduate Students.

### Math Matters: Numerate Approaches to Everyday Issues

Maura Mast, University of Massachusetts– Boston Rob Root, Lafayette College Andy Miller, Belmont University

### Saturday, August 2 9:00 a.m. – 10:20 a.m.

### Ballroom C, Monona Terrace

How can mathematics help the average citizen negotiate the world? Issues such as climate change, globalization, the credit and mortgage crisis, and electoral processes and politics have a large impact on our society. Mathematics and statistics are critical tools for appreciating the complexity and impact of these phenomena that affect individual lives and society at large. The panelists in this session, Andy Miller of Belmont University, Donald Saari of University of California Irvine, Jonathan Hodge, Grand Valley State University, and Bernard Madison, University of Arkansas, will present approaches to addressing these topics and equipping citizens with the knowledge and habits of mind necessary for understanding these issues and for making personal choices that incorporate this new understanding.

### MAA Business Meeting Saturday, August 2 | 11:30 a.m. – Noon

### Ballroom AB, Monona Terrace

This session will be moderated by Martha J. Siegel, Towson University, MAA Secretary.

### *Flatland: The Movie* Thomas Banchoff, Brown University

Saturday, August 2 | 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

### Ballroom B, Monona Terrace

*Flatland: The Movie* is a half-hour animated film produced in 2007 inspired by Edwin A. Abbott's classic novel, *Flatland: A Romance of Many Dimensions.* Set in a world of only two dimensions inhabited by sentient geometrical shapes, the story follows Arthur Square and his ever-curious granddaughter Hex. When a mysterious visitor arrives from Spaceland, Arthur and Hex must come to terms with the truth of the third dimension, risking dire consequences from the evil Circles that have ruled Flatland for a thousand years. A discussion on the use of the film and accompanying materials for teaching at different levels will follow concerning its use in classroom teaching.

### Creating a Post-Calculus Pre-Calculus Course for Advanced High School Students Dan Teague, NC School of Science and Mathematics Dan Lotesto, Milwaukee Public Schools

### Saturday, August 2 | 1:00 p.m. – 2:20 p.m.

### Lecture Hall, Monona Terrace

Post-Calculus Precalculus: What are the precalculus topics that it would be helpful to revisit and deepen after (or concurrently with) a high school calculus class and before students get to college? In the rush to calculus, what topics have been forgotten? How can this be done in a way that engages student interest and excites them about mathematics? Since students often select "brand name" courses to improve their college admissions chances, should the MAA create such a course to compete for the attention of post-calculus high school student with the "AP name" on other non-mathematical courses. Panelist will include Doug Kuhlman, Philips Andover; and Paul Zorn, Saint Olaf College. The session is sponsored by SIGMAA TASHM.

### First-Year Courses Designed to Attract Students to the Serious Study of Mathematics

Michael Starbird, University of Texas James Sellers, Pennsylvania State University

Saturday, August 2 | 1:00 p.m. – 2:20 p.m.

### Ballroom A, Monona Terrace

One of the keys to attracting students to either major or minor in mathematics is to offer them an interesting and engaging course in their first year at college. This session will give faculty from a wide variety of institutions an opportunity to explain what they are doing to "grab" students in this critical first year. Panelists will include: **Art Benjamin**, Harvey Mudd College; **Harriet Pollatsek**, Mt. Holyoke College; **Marilyn Repsher**, Jacksonville University; and **Michael Starbird**.

### The Role of Open Source Math Projects in the Mathematics Community

Charles Weaver, University of Phoenix

Jason Aubrey, University of Missouri Michael Scott, California State University

Monterey Bay

Saturday, August 2 | 3:00 p.m. – 4:20 p.m.

### Lecture Hall, Monona Terrace

Open source projects have assumed an important place in our society. Several academic mathematics projects including MathDL, WeBWorK, SAGE and the Math Forum follow open-source or open-source-like models. Several open source non-academic projects such as PlanetMath and Wikipedia have made mathematical information widely available to the general public. What open source projects exist and what are they doing? What other opportunities are there for open source projects in the mathematics community? How is open source work recognized in the university setting? These and other questions will be addressed in this session. Panelists will include Aaron Krowne, PlanetMath; Michael Gage, University of Rochester and WeBWorK; Gene Klotz, Swarthmore College and Math Forum; Frank Wattenberg, US Military Academy and MathDL; Douglas Ensley, Shippensburg University and MathDL (moderator). The session is sponsored by Web SIGMAA.

### Author signings at the MAA Publications Booth!

### Come to the MAA Publications booth for these special MathFest events.

### Thursday, July 31 | 11:30 am - 12:00 pm

John dePillis will sign copies of **777 Mathematical Conversation Starters** 

The author will do a (*FREE*) caricature of all those who buy the book.

### Friday, August 1 | - 11:30 am - 12:00 pm

Art Benjamin will be on hand to share his "secrets" and sign copies of *Secrets of Mental Math.* 

Friday. August 1 | 12:00 pm – 12:30 pm

Keith Kendig will sign copies of his new book, *Sink or Float: Thought Problems in Math and Physics.* 



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### **Exhibit Hall**

Friday, August 1 | 9:00 a.m. – Noon Saturday, August 2 | 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 pm

# Undergraduate Student Activities

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### Wednesday, July 30th

### **MAA-PME Student Reception**

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9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. Exhibit Hall B, Level 1, Monona Terrace

### MAA Lecture for Students Sudoku: Questions, Variations and Research Laura Taalman, James Madison University

### 1:00 p.m.–1:50 p.m.

### Ballroom A, Monona Terrace

Sudoku puzzles and their variants are linked to many mathematical problems involving combinatorics, Latin squares, magic squares, polyominos, symmetries, computer algorithms, the rook problem, graph colorings, and permutation group theory. In this talk we will explore variations of Sudoku and the many open problems and new results in this new field of recreational mathematics. Many of the problems we will discuss are suitable for undergraduate research projects. Puzzle handouts will be available for all to enjoy!

### **MAA Student Paper Sessions**

J. Lyn Miller, Slippery Rock University John Hamman, Montgomery College

8:30 a.m.–10:30 a.m., 2:00 p.m.– 3:55 p.m., AND 4:20 p.m.–6:15 p.m. Meeting Rooms L, M, N, Q, and R, Monona Terrace

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### MAA Undergraduate Student Activities Session What is the Color of My Hat?

### Ezra (Bud) Brown, Virginia Tech

### 1:00 p.m.–1:50 p.m. Ballroom A, Monona Terrace

Games involving hats are all the rage these days. In these games, hats of specified colors are placed on players' heads. You can see the colors of some or all of the other player's hats, but not your own. In general, the object is to guess your own hat color. In some games, you may only mention a color. In some games you may pass. Wrong guesses may or may not be penalized. Sometimes the players are When spending your hard-earned money, you shop around to find the very best.



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### MAA Undergraduate Student

### Activities Session Mathematics in Forensics

Dan Russell, Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation

### 1:00 p.m.—1:50 p.m.

### Ballroom B, Monona Terrace

When people think of forensic science, most people don't immediately think of the ever increasing role that mathematics plays in solving crimes. This presentation will focus on the many ways that mathematics impacts the forensic community and its ability to aid law enforcement in determining the actual events of a suspected criminal act.

### Pi Mu Epsilon Student Banquet and Awards Ceremony

*Friday, August 1, 6:00 p.m.–7:45 p.m. Grand Terrace, Monona Terrace* 

### Pi Mu Epsilon J. Sutherland Frame Lecture: The Symmetries of Things John H. Conway, Princeton University

### 8:00 p.m.–8:50 p.m.

### Ballroom AB, Monona Terrace

"Thurston's Commandment," namely that "Thou shalt not understand the symmetries of a geometrical object save by studying its orbifold" was first used (in fact before Thurston) by Murray MacBeath to enumerate the distinct finite symmetry groups that are possible for objects in space of at most three dimensions (which had been enumerated in another way by Fedorov in the 19th century). The first part of the lecture will describe the resulting groups in terms of a notation I devised some time ago, that also applies to the celebrated 17 crystallographic plane groups. The second part will describe their threedimensional analogs, the 219 crystallographic space groups, which were re-enumerated recently by a new method due to Conway, Delgado-Friedrichs, Huson and Thurston. It's all easy, and there will be lots of pictures!

### **MAA Ice Cream Social**

### 9:00 p.m.–10:00 p.m. Grand Terrace, Monona Terrace

Besides cake and ice cream, we will recognize all students who gave talks in the MAA Student Paper Sessions, and award prizes for the best of them. Following last year's success, a performance by Robert Schneider of the indie rock group Apples in Stereo is expected. All are invited.

### Saturday, August 2nd

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9:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. Exhibit Hall B, Level 1, Monona Terrace

### MAA Mathematical Contest in Modeling (MCM) Winners Ben Fusaro, Florida State University

9:00 a.m.—10:30 a.m. Hall Ideas E, Monona Terrace

About 500 teams, each consisting of three undergraduates, took part in the 2008 MCM in February. The contest consists of two real(istic) scenarios (one discrete, one continuous) that call for analysis and resolution. MAA judges choose one continuous and one discrete winner from the top contenders and subsidize the teams' travel to MathFest, where they will present the results of their four-day challenge.

### Math Horizons - Meet the Editors

Steve Abbott, Middlebury College Bruce Torrence, Randolph-Macon College

### 9:30 a.m.–10:30 a.m.

### Lecture Hall, Monona Terrace

In this informal session the co-editors elect of *Math Horizons* will be on hand to answer your questions and solicit your input regarding future directions for *Math Horizons*.

### Meet Elvis, Live and In-Person Do Dogs Know Calculus? Bifurcations at the Beach

Tim Pennings, Hope College

2:00 p.m.-3:15 p.m.

### Meeting Room R, Monona Terrace

We will show that dogs — at least my dog, Elvis knows calculus. That is, Elvis can find the optimal —fastest — route to a ball thrown into the water some distance down the beach.

But what happens when Elvis is positioned in the water and retrieves a ball that is also in the water? When should he swim straight to the ball, and when should he swim in to the shore, run along the shore, and then swim back out to the ball? What is the bifurcation point for the change in optimal strategy? Does Elvis bifurcate? Does his fur bicate?

Dr. Elvis (he has an honorary doctorate degree) will be in the building demonstrating that he's indeed the King of Calculus — and much more than a hound dog.

### **Student Problem Solving Competition** Richard Neal, American Society for the Communication of Mathematics

### 2:30 p.m.-3:45 p.m.

### Ballroom A, Monona Terrace

This event is the finals of the Problem Solving Competition. Universities and colleges that participate monthly on their own campuses by holding problem solving contests are invited to send a contestant. Each contestant will be required to solve a series of mathematical problems. Based on the outcome, a champion along with second through sixth place winners will be named.

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Presenter: Louise Krmpotic Friday, August 1 | 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Monona Terrace, Meeting Room K – Level 4

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### Panel 1 | Career opportunities with an advanced degree.

Jennifer Szydlik, University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh Abbe Herzig, University at Albany Jordan Ellenberg, University of Wisconsin-Madison Stephen Hartke, University of Nebraska-Lincoln Mark Ward, Purdue University

### Panel 2 How to find a good fit in a graduate program.

Berit Nilsen Givens, CSU Pomona Heidi Feller, University of Nebraska Paulette Willis, University of Iowa

### Panel 3 What graduate faculty look for in applicants.

Philip Kutzko, University of Iowa Stephen Hartke, University of Nebraska-Lincoln Jordan Ellenberg, University of Wisconsin-Madison Mark Ward, Purdue University

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### Minicourse | 1

### A GAME THEORY PATH TO QUANTITATIVE LITERACY

Rick Gillman, Valparaiso University David Housman, Goshen College

### Thursday, July 31 | 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. Friday, August 1 | 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

### Hall Ideas G, Monona Terrace (both sessions)

Game Theory, defined in the broadest sense, can be used to model many real-world scenarios of decision making in situations involving conflict and cooperation. Further, mastering the basic concepts and tools of game theory require only an understanding of basic algebra, probability, and formal reasoning. These two features of game theory make it an ideal path to developing habits of quantitative literacy among our students. This audience participation minicourse develops some of the material used by the presenters in their general education courses on game theory and encourages participants to develop their own, similar, courses.

### Minicourse | 2

### THE UBIQUITOUS CATALAN NUMBERS AND THEIR APPLICATIONS

### Thomas Koshy, Framingham State College

### Thursday, July 31 | 1:00 p.m.–3:00 p.m. Friday, August 1 | 1:00 p.m.–3:00 p.m.

### Hall Ideas J, Monona Terrace (both sessions)

Catalan numbers are both fascinating and ubiquitous. They pop up in quite unexpected places, such as triangulations of convex polygons, correctly parenthesized algebraic expressions, rooted trees, binary trees, full binary trees, trivalent binary trees, lattice-walking, Bertrand's ballot problem, abstract algebra, linear algebra, chess, and the World Series, to name a few. Beginning with a brief history of Catalan numbers, this minicourse presents numerous examples from different areas. We will develop a number of combinatorial formulas for computing them, investigate their parity and their primality-link to Mersenne numbers, and present the various ways they can be extracted from Pascal's triangle and several Pascal-like triangles. As a bonus, we will investigate tribinomial coefficients and extract Catalan numbers from them.

### Minicourse | 3

### TEACHING A PROOF BASED COURSE AS THE GATEWAY TO THE MATHEMATICS MAJOR

### James Sandefur, Georgetown University Connie Campbell, Millsaps College

Thursday, July 31 | 3:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m. Saturday, August 2 | 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

Hall Ideas G, Monona Terrace (both sessions)

Many colleges and universities have a gateway course to help mathematics students make the transition to more theoretical courses, with a goal of helping students learn how to understand and construct proofs. The organizer of this course, guided by six years of videotaping his students doing their homework for a proof-based course, will lead participants in an exploration of effective approaches to teaching "proof." We will discuss appropriate types of problems, the wording of problems, effective hints and prompts, and a variety of pedagogical approaches. Suggestions and questions from participants will be encouraged.

### Minicourse | 4

### HOW TO RUN A SUCCESSFUL MATH CIRCLE

Matthias Beck, San Francisco State University Tatiana Shubin, San Jose State University Sam Vandervelde, Saint Lawrence University

### Thursday, July 31 | 3:30 p.m.–5:30 p.m. Saturday, August 2 | 1:00 p.m.–3:00 p.m.

### Hall Ideas J, Monona Terrace (both sessions)

Mathematical circles are modeled after those in Eastern Europe and are as successful here as they have been there. Circles bring mathematicians into direct contact with middle or high school students who work together on problems that require deep thinking rather than rote solutions. Running a math circle is a rewarding activity but also presents many challenges. In this minicourse participants will be involved in two abbreviated math circles led by the organizers trying their hand at developing math circles of their own. In addition, there will be discussions of the history, goals, and achievements of existing math circles, as well as suggestions on how to start and maintain new circles.

### PERSPECTIVE VIEWING AND DRAWING MAKE GOOD MATH PROBLEMS

Marc Frantz, Indiana University Annalisa Crannell, Franklin & Marshall College

### Friday, August 1 | 3:30 p.m.–5:30 p.m. Saturday, August 2 | 3:30 p.m.– 5:30 p.m.

### Hall Ideas G, Monona Terrace (both sessions)

The execution of the simplest line drawings in perspective can pose math problems that challenge the brightest of students. Nevertheless, the solutions are pleasingly easy to use and remember. The other side of the coin—viewing a work in perspective from the correct viewpoint—poses similarly interesting problems. When applied to viewing real artwork (or posters), these techniques lead to an astonishing experience of depth and realism that leaves a lasting impression on viewers. This minicourse conveys these techniques through hands-on activities, which the facilitators have taught to over 140 instructors in faculty development workshops. No artistic experience is required.

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### MATHEMATICS AND THE GEOMETRY OF VOTING

### Donald G. Saari, University of California Irvine

### Friday, August 1 | 3:30 p.m.–5:30 p.m. Saturday, August 2 | 3:30 p.m.–5:30 p.m.

### Hall Ideas J, Monona Terrace (both sessions)

It is election year! But will we elect whom we really want? What raises a concern is that, by now, most of us know that voting rules can cause unexpected outcomes and delicious paradoxes. The standard plurality ranking, for instance, can be Alice > Barb > Connie even though the "vote for two" outcome is precisely the opposite. The mathematical issues —which constitute the theme of this course—are to identify everything that can possibly happen and explain why they occur, to describe how to construct any number of illustrating examples, to identify the "best" voting rule, and to learn how to convert some of these recent research results into rich course offerings for our undergraduates particularly for Fall term of this coming year.

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### **Two-Day Short Course**

### Game-Theoretic Modeling: Techniques and Applications

### Michael A. Jones, Montclair State University

Part I: Tuesday, July 29, 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. Part II: Wednesday, July 30, 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. Capital Ballroom B, Concourse Hotel

The object of this short course is to learn about both the mathematical techniques that collectively can be called game theory and the range of applications that can be modeled using these techniques. Techniques will include simultaneous and sequential move games under different information assumptions, cooperative games, mechanism design, theory of moves — a dynamic extension of game theory, and a qualitative approach to evolutionary game theory. Applications will be drawn from biology, economics, environmental science, literature, political science, and popular culture.

### From Decision Theory to Game Theory: An Introduction and Overview to the Short Course Michael A. Jones, Montclair State University

### Square Bicycle Wheel Demonstration

### Presented by St. Norbert College

As part of a *Special Topics: Mathematical Modeling* course taught by Dr. Terry Jo Leiterman at St. Norbert College, a class of twelve undergraduate students took on the task of building a square wheel bicycle. To fulfill the requirement of a smooth bike ride, the road was found as the solution to a differential equation, set-up and solved by the class, with the result being a catenary curve. At this exhibit, the St. Norbert College square wheel bicycle will not only be on display but rode - smoothly! In addition, students Alicia Brinkman and Stephanie Schauer will give related math talks in the Pi Mu Epsilon Student Session and Dr. Leiterman will give a lecture on the unique aspects of the course and project in the General Session.

> Exhibit Hall B, Monona Terrace | Friday, August 1 | 11:30 a.m - 1:30 pm.

### Non-cooperative Game Theory with Applications to Popular Culture Paul Coe, Dominican University

Extensive-Form Games D. Marc Kilgour, Wilfrid Laurier University

Cooperative Game Theory Jennifer Wilson, New School University

Modeling Auctions: Game Theory and Beyond Michael Rothkopf, Penn State University

Game Theory and Emotions Steven J. Brams, New York University

A Qualitative Approach to Evolutionary Game Theory Donald G. Saari, University of California, Irvine

The program will conclude with a panel discussion, Game Theory In and Out of the Classroom. To view full abstracts of the Short Course lectures visit the MathFest website, www.maa.org/mathfest.

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Presenter: Merideth Thomerson Friday, August 1 | 3:30 p.m.–5:00 p.m. Monona Terrace, Meeting Room K – Level 4

### SIGMAA on Mathematics and the Arts

Art Exhibit

*Thursday, Friday, and Saturday Exhibit Hall B, Level 1, Monona Terrace* 

### SIGMAA on Quantitative Literacy

### The Role of Quantitative Literacy Centers in Supporting Students (and Faculty)

Thursday | 9:00 a.m.-10:20 a.m. Ballroom C, Monona Terrace

### Math Matters: Numerate Approaches to Everyday Issues

Saturday | 9:00 a.m.—10:30 a.m. Ballroom C, Monona Terrace

### SIGMAA on Mathematical and Computational Biology

### **Integrating Biology and Mathematics**

*Thursday* | 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. *Ballroom D, Monona Terrace* 

### **SIGMAA on the History of Mathematics**

### **Grand Poster Unveiling and Reception**

*Thursday* | 4:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. Ballroom A, Monona Terrace

### Interesting Topics in History of Mathematics that Enhance the Teaching and Learning of Mathematics

Saturday | 8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Meeting Room R, Monona Terrace

### **Invited Paper Session on History of Mathematics**

Saturday | 1:00 p.m.–3:00 p.m. Ballroom D, Monana Terrace

### SIGMAA on Teaching Advanced High School Mathematics

### **Business Meeting and Reception**

*Thursday* 5:00 p.m.–6:00 p.m. Ballroom C, Monona Terrace

### Creating a Post-Calculus Precalculus Course for Advanced High School Students

Saturday, August 2, 1:00 pm-2:20 pm Lecture Hall, Monona Terrace

SIGMAA on Research in Undergraduate Mathematics Education

### Workshop on Essential Reasoning Abilities and Conceptual Foundations for Calculus

Friday and Saturday | 9:00 a.m.– 10:30 a.m. Hall Ideas F, Monona Terrace (both sessions)

### SIGMAA on the Philosophy of Mathematics

### **Guest Lecture and Reception**

Friday | 4:00 p.m.–5:30 p.m. Ballroom A, Monona Terrace Mo Hirsch, UC Berkeley, will be the speaker.

### SIGMAA on Environmental Mathematics

### **Guest Lecturer and Business Meeting**

Friday | 4:30 p.m.-6:00 p.m. Ballroom D, Monona Terrace

### "Models for Managing Forested Landscapes"

Joseph Buongiorno, University of Wisconsin, Department of Forestry Ecology

Tour of Frank Lloyd Wright's environmentallyoriented Madison Convention Center. A Saturday afternoon bus trip to Aldo Leopold's research area in nearby Sand County, led by Joseph Buongiorno. Aldo Leopold is the father of biology-based forestry. He transformed forestry from a strictly extractive "woodlot" approach to the management of a living system. The trip will take approximately three hours.

### **Group Tours**

### Wednesday, July 30 | 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Main Entrance, Concourse Hotel

The Madison Tour will be an overview of some of the significant gems of the Capital City. Included will be a tour of the Capital itself, Madison's Overture Center, home of Madison's artistic community, a tour through the University, the First Unitarian Society Meeting House, Frank Lloyd Wright's Gilmore House, Louis Sullivan's Bradley House, and a self-guided exploration through the Olbrich Gardens and Thai Pavilion. We will end our tour with an "on your own" lunch at Quivey's Grove, a four acre country estate featuring a fieldstone mansion and stable built in 1855, and on the National Register of Historic Places. Lunch prices range from \$7 to \$11. Join us for this limited attendance tour leaving from The Concourse Hotel, Most of the tour will be by bus, but some walking will be required. Join us for this five-hour tour.

### Tickets are \$25 per person.

### **Math JEOPARDY**

### Wednesday, July 30 | 5:30 p.m.–6:45 p.m. Wisconsin Ballroom, Concourse Hotel

Four teams of students will provide the questions to go with the mathematical answers in many categories. Come cheer for your favorite team. The session will be emceed by Mike Berry, University of Tennessee.

### **Opening Reception**

### Wednesday, July 30 | 6:30 p.m.–7:30 p.m. Madison Ballroom, Monona Terrace

The Association is pleased to hold a reception with a cash bar for all MathFest participants immediately preceding the Opening Banquet.

Visit the Email Lab

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### **Opening Banquet**

### Wednesday, July 30 | 7:30 p.m.–9:30 p.m. Capital AB Ballroom, Monona Terrace

Continue the exciting evening by joining new and long-time friends and colleagues for a fine dinner. There will be an after-dinner presentation by Larry Lesser, University of Texas at El Paso, who will lead a "Non-Monotone Math Song Sing-Along!" To whet your appetite, you may sample some of Lesser's greater hits at: www.math.utep.edu/Faculty/lesser/ Mathemusician.html.

Serving as mistress of ceremonies will be Jennifer Quinn, from the University of Washington at Tacoma. Tickets are \$45 per person. Choice of entrees available.

### Jazz on the Terrace

### Thursday, July 31 | 7:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m. Rooftop, Monona Terrace

Join us on the rooftop of The Monona Terrace on Thursday evening where we will have an evening of Jazz in the gardens overlooking the Capitol and Lake Monona. This event will feature heavy hors d'oeuvres, and a cash bar.

Music will be provided by SwingTime Music, a Madison based jazz combo headed by drummer John Lombardo. The group provides fun, danceable music which will make you smile and be the highlight of your evening.

You will recognize jazz standards, as well as adapted pop tunes from the fifties, sixties and seventies. Familiar tunes, like "Satin Doll," "Take the A Train," "Girl From Ipanema," and "Shadow of Your Smile" bring back the glamour of the swing era and jazz greats such as Count Basie, Duke Ellington, and Cole Porter. *http://www.swingtimemusic.net*.

### Cash bar. Ticket price is \$45 per person.

Thursday, July 31 | 9:00 am – 5:00 pm Friday, August 1 | 9:00 am – 5:00 pm Saturday, August 2 | 9:00 am – 1:45 pm

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### Social Events

### UW-Madison Alumni Reunion

### Friday, August 1 | 7:00pm–9:00pm

**UW-Madison Campus, Van Vleck Hall | Rm. 911** Reunion for anybody with a connection to the UW-Madison Math Department. View interactive map online at *http://www.wisc.edu/map* for location and parking lots.

### 5K Fun Run/Walk

### Saturday, August 2 | 7:00 a.m.-9:00 a.m. Meet in the lobby, Monona Terrace

The Fun Run/Walk will be held on the Monona Terrace bike path on Saturday, August 2. Check-in is at 7:00 a.m. just outside the bike path doors; the run/ walk will start at 7:30 a.m. Interested runners/walkers should sign up at the Registration Desk by Friday afternoon, August 1. There is a \$15 registration fee and all registrants receive a free T-shirt.

### Aldo Leopold Legacy Center Trip

### Saturday, August 2 | 1:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m. Meet in the lobby, Monona Terrace

The Environmental Mathematics SIG will sponsor a bus trip to the Aldo Leopold Legacy Center in nearby Sand County. Leopold is the father of biology-based forestry. He transformed forestry from a strictly extractive "woodlot" approach to the management of a living system. Leopold was a professor at the University of Wisconsin. The guide will be Professor Joseph Buongiorno, UW Department of Forest Ecology, the very department that Leopold molded into a world center for nature-oriented forestry.

### The cost is \$20 (\$15 for EM SIG members).

http://www.aldoleopold.org/LandEthicCampaign/campaign. htm.

### MAA Silver & Gold Reception and Banquet

### Saturday, August 2 | 6:00 p.m.–9:00 p.m. Grand Terrace, Monona Terrace

Our annual end-of-meeting banquet is a time to honor MAA dignitaries and have a very special conclusion to the meeting. Please join us in the Monona Terrace Grand Terrace for this ticketed event. Paul Sally, University of Chicago, is the invited speaker. His talk will be "Roots to Research: A Vertical Development of Mathematical Problems." Richard Askey, University of Wisconsin will be the emcee. Cash bar. Tickets are \$45 per person.

### Monona Terrace Green Tours

### Thursday, July 31 | 2:00 p.m. Friday, August 1 | 11:30 a.m. Saturday, August 2 | 11:00 a.m. Registration, Lakeside Commons

Group Tours of our Conference Site, a Green Certified Convention Center will be conducted Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Join us for an indepth look of the Frank Lloyd Wright inspired facility and discussion of practices and procedures in place on-site and in conjunction with The City of Madison that have led to this designation.

These tours are free to our registrants.

### **Taliesin Tour**

### Sunday, August 3 | 8: 15 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Meet in the lobby , Concourse Hotel

Visit Taliesin, Frank Lloyd Wright's home and compound near Spring Green, WI. Wright used Taliesin as a laboratory where his ideas emerged, were tested and refined. We will spend two hours touring the home, viewing furnishings, art collections, and gardens. Along the way we will view the landscape that inspired Frank Lloyd Wright, making him one of America's pre-eminent architects. We will take a bus to the estate, where a group tour will be conducted. We will return by 12:15. There will be a significant amount of standing and walking so wear comfortable shoes. Children under 12 will be unable to join this tour.

### Tickets are \$50 per person.

http://www.taliesinpreservation.org/

### **Registration:**

The on-site registration desk will be located in the Lakeside Commons on level one of the Monona Terrace Community and Convention Center. It will be open Wednesday, July 30 from 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm, Thursday, July 31 and Friday, August 1 from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm, and Saturday, August 2 from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm. You may pick up your registration materials, register on-site, and purchase event tickets, where available, at this location.

### Shuttle times:

Date	Time	Between
Wednesday, July 30	5:00–10:00pm	Ogg Hall/Pyle Center Concourse Hotel
Thursday, July 31	7:15–11:15am	Ogg Hall - Monona Terrace
	4:00-10:00pm	Monona Terrace - Ogg Hall
Friday, August 1	7:15–11:15am	Ogg Hall - Monona Terrace
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Saturday, August 2	7:15–11:15am	Ogg Hall - Monona Terrace
· · · ·	4:00–10:00pm	Monona Terrace - Ogg Hall

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