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Professional Activities/Announcements

Yingkang Hu is the new Graduate Program Director for our department and advisor for the Master of Science Degree with a Major in Mathematics.

Gail Mackin has been selected as a Project NExT Fellow for 1998-99. Project NExT (New Experiences in Teaching) is a program for recent Ph.D.s in the mathematical sciences who are interested in improving the teaching and learning of undergraduate mathematics. The Fellowship includes some financial support for three workshops held in conjunction with national and international mathematical conferences, the first of which was the MAA Mathfest in Toronto this past July.

Luke Olszewski presented the paper titled "An Analysis of the Prototype Verification System (PVS) as a Co-Design Tool" at the

International Conference on Parallel and Distributive Processing Techniques and Applications in Las Vegas, NV, July 13th – 16th, 1998.

Xiezhang Li presented the paper titled "The Comparison between (2,1)-Step Methods and Chebyshev Methods" at the International Symposium on Theory and Algorithms for Large Scale Matrix Problems at Dalian University of Technology, Dalian, China, on August 2nd - 5th, 1998.

Lila Roberts was invited to lecture at the Ninth International Colloquium on Differential Equations in Plovdiv, Bulgaria, 18th - 23rd of August 1998. The title of her lecture was "Quasilinear Models for Laser Dynamics".

Lila Roberts received the 1998 Award for Excellence in Contributions to Instruction.

Jennifer Street attended the Joint Statistical Meetings in Dallas, TX, August 8th - 13th, 1998. Jennifer was awarded a Professional Travel Grant to attend this conference.

Scott Street attended the Joint Statistical Meetings in Dallas, TX, August 8th - 13th, 1998. As an invited speaker, Scott presented his paper "Mixed Model Splines for Ecological Time Series." Scott was awarded a Professional Travel Grant to attend this conference.

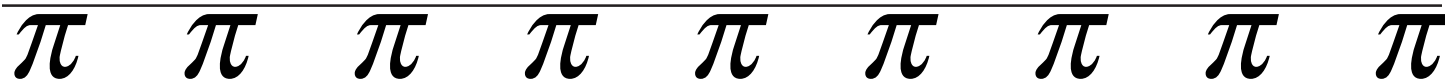
Debbye Stapleton and her husband Rick made a presentation titled "TA and Constructivism in the Classroom" on August 12th, 1998, at the Second Major International Transactional Analysis Conference. The lecture was presented on the campus of the University of Zurich, Switzerland.

Campus Committees

Mark Aulick and **Scott Street** are members of a group of faculty, members of the Omicron Delta Kappa (ODK) leadership honor society, who are beginning the process of getting a group together to apply for a local circle of ODK. This includes selecting student members, getting the group recognized as a campus organization, and remaining active for a year. Any members of ODK in

the department are urged to support the group. The group's next meeting will be on September 10, 1998. Contact Mark or Scott for more information.

Lila Roberts has been asked to serve as a member of the Graduate Faculty Subcommittee of the Graduate Council.



Personal News

Mark Aulick bought a new truck this summer. It's the first new vehicle Mark has purchased for himself in 16 years and believes himself justified in how proud he is of it. Mark notes that any increased sunburn on the back of his neck is purely coincidental.

Sandra Ellwood has a new grandson, Henry Jacob Manley. He was born on August 10th, 1998.

Rose Mae Bogan's son, Lee Rogers Berger, has an article in the August issue of National Geographic about his research work in Paleoanthropology in South Africa. He is a graduate of Georgia Southern where he received Alumnus of the Year Award last year from the College of Liberal Arts and Social Studies. He earned his Ph.D. from the University of Witwatersrand in Johannesburg, South Africa.



September Birthdays

Don Brown	2
Bruce McLean	7
Jane Cason	9
Gerald Shoultz	14
Sharon Taylor	17
Bill Meisel	19
Sandra Ellwood	20
Don Fausett	20
David Moody	20
Charles Champ	22
Scott Street	22
Chase Brady	24
Martha Abell	28
Rose Mae Bogan	29



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Thank you.

Coming in October...New Faculty Profiles