

Web Page at <http://www.huntingdon.edu/MAA/>. In particular, details of the Spring meeting are now posted: the meeting is April 12-13 at the University of Alabama - Huntsville. It is even possible to submit a paper electronically this year.

A T3 (Teachers Teaching with Technology) National Conference will be held in Jacksonville during March 15-17, 1996. If anyone wants information or registration forms, they can contact **Lisa Yocco**. The "early" registration fee is \$50 and must be postmarked by Feb. 16 or the late registration fee is \$65 due by March 8.

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PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Martha Abell and **Jim Braselton** participated in the National Science Foundation Poster Session at the Joint Meetings of the Mathematical Association of America and the American Mathematical Society on January 10, 1996. Their presentation was called "The Advanced Mathematics Computer Laboratory".

Rose Mae Bogan as Secretary of the Science Education Division attended the State Council for the Academy of Science on January 27, 1996, at Mercer

University in Macon. Afterwards she reviewed, with the Chair and Councilor, abstracts for their acceptance for speaking at the State Conference in April and for publication in the Academy of Science Journal.

Stuart Davidson had a paper accepted for publication over the Christmas break titled "The Steady Linear Thermoelastic Problem for a Circular Hole with Two Radial Edge Cracks of Unequal Length" in the *Journal Engineering Fracture Mechanics*

A paper entitled "Discrete Modulus of Smoothness of Splines with Equally Spaced Knots" by **Yingkang Hu** and Xiang-Ming Yu appeared in the *SIAM Journal on Numerical Analysis*, Vol. 32, 1995.

A paper entitled "The Degree and an Algorithm of Copositive Approximation" by **Yingkang Hu** and Xiang-Ming Yu will appear next month in the *SIAM Journal on Numerical Analysis*.

Lila Roberts attended and gave a talk at the AMS/MAA meeting held January 10-13 in Orlando. The presentation was entitled "A Short Course in Linear Algebra: A Matrix Approach Using MATLAB" and was given at the MAA special session on Linear Algebra.

Rick and Debbye Stapleton presented "The Significance of Schemata and Scripts in Entrepreneurship Education and Development" at the Fourth Annual Entrepreneurship Excellence Conference in Atlanta on January 13, 1996.

David Stone attended the MAA/AMS national meeting in Orlando in January, participating in several activities: the MAA Board of Governors, the Project NExT banquet, the MAA Coordinating Council on Awards, the MAA Committee on Sections and the MAA Section Officers meeting. MAA President Ken Ross appointed **David** as Chair of a committee concerned with improving the effectiveness of the Board of Governors.

As Vice President of NASSMC (the National Alliance of State Science and Mathematics Coalitions) **David Stone** participated in the planning meeting of the Educational Partnership, a project of the Conference Board of Mathematical Sciences (funded by Exxon) bringing together all of the nation's mathematical organizations to address issues in mathematics education, kindergarten through graduate school. **David** received a travel grant from the Faculty Service

Committee to attend the Orlando meeting and participate in the preceding activities. While in Orlando, **David** was excited to hear Andrew Wiles speak about his solution to Fermat's Last Theorem.

David Stone is the Project Director of an MAA Southeastern Section version of Project NExT; a workshop will be held at the Spring meeting in Huntsville, with other activities to follow. This project, like MAA's national Project NExT, is funded by the Exxon Education Foundation.

David Stone is pleased to announce that GCSTME -- the Georgia Coalition for Science, Technology and Mathematics Education -- has replaced him as Executive Director. The new ED is Eric Green, recently retired from CDC in Atlanta, where he was head of the Technology Transfer Program. **David** recently attended meetings of the coalition's Executive Committee and Mathematics Council. In the Fall, the Coalition sponsored a statewide GSAMS teleconference with new State School Superintendent Linda Schrenko and math and science people across Georgia. Also, the Coalition's Advisory Board met with Dr. Lee Shiver, Chair of Georgia's School

Improvement subcommittee charged with curriculum improvement.

David Stone's solution to Problem 4483 was recently featured in the *School Science and Mathematics Association Journal*. The problem: show that an odd perfect number cannot be the product of two primes.

David Stone is helping the William James Middle School Math Counts team again this year. The team will participate in the Regional competition in February.

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DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEES

The Teaching with Technology Committee will sponsor a presentation by **Cindy Gonzalez** on the TI-92 calculator. The presentation will be for faculty and will focus on the use of the TI-92 in mathematics courses. Watch for further details.

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CAMPUS COMMITTEES

COST Governance Committee

Lila Roberts is on the College of Science and

Technology Governance Committee. If anyone has any recommendations for the governance of COST, please talk to her.

Information Technology Advisory Council

Arthur Sparks has been appointed chair of the World Wide Web (WWW) Subcommittee of the Information Technology Advisory Council (ITAC). At this point, the subcommittee is trying to identify the "WWW Problem". (i.e. What policy recommendations are needed in this area?) If you have suggestions on other concerns about the WWW which should be included in the statement of the problem, please send them to **Arthur** ASAP. He will also be happy to receive your recommendations on proposed policies and guidelines concerning the WWW at Georgia Southern.

Issues currently under discussion by ITAC are access to the campus network, WWW homepages, and adoption of software packages. To get as much input as possible from the University community, ITAC will sponsor an open forum on Feb. 7 from 2-4 PM in Room 270 of the Russell Union. After the forum, ITAC will begin developing policy recommendations.

