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Epsilon Awards for 2007

The AMS Epsilon Fund for Young Scholars was established in 1999 to provide financial assistance to summer programs for mathematically talented high school students in the United States. For many years these programs have provided mathematically talented youngsters with their first serious mathematical experiences. The name for the fund was chosen in remembrance of the late Paul Erdős, who was fond of calling children “epsilons”.

The AMS has chosen six summer mathematics programs to receive Epsilon grants for activities in the summer of 2007. The grants will support program expenses and student scholarships and, in some cases, scholarships only. The programs were chosen on the basis of mathematical excellence and enthusiasm. Award amounts were governed by the varying financial needs of each program and totaled US\$80,000.

The programs receiving grants are: Hampshire College Summer Studies in Mathematics, Amherst, Massachusetts; Michigan Math and Science Scholars Summer Program, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor; PROMYS, Boston University; Ross Mathematics Program, Ohio State University, Columbus; Summer Explorations and Research Collaborations for High School Girls (SEARCH), Mount Holyoke College, South Hadley, Massachusetts; and Texas State University Honors Summer Math Camp, Texas State University, San Marcos.

The grants for summer 2007 are paid for by the AMS Epsilon Fund for Young Scholars (supplemented by the AMS Program Development Fund). The AMS is continuing to build the endowment for the Epsilon Fund, with a goal of raising US\$2 million through individual donations and grants. Once the Epsilon Fund endowment has reached the targeted amount, the AMS intends to award a total of US\$100,000 in Epsilon grants each year.

For further information about the Epsilon Fund for Young Scholars, visit the website <http://www.ams.org/giving-to-ams/>, or contact development@ams.org. Information about how to apply for Epsilon grants is available at <http://www.ams.org/outreach/epsilon.html>. A fairly comprehensive listing of summer programs

for mathematically talented high school students (including those with and without Epsilon grants) is available at <http://www.ams.org/outreach/mathcamps.html>.

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Deaths of AMS Members

KAREN A. AMES, professor, University of Alabama in Huntsville, died on September 28, 2006. Born on November 5, 1953, she was a member of the Society for 25 years.

JOHN BACKUS, IBM fellow, San Jose, CA, died on March 17, 2007. Born on December 3, 1924, he was a member of the Society for 35 years.

LEV M. BERKOVICH, professor, Samara State University, Russia, died on March 17, 2007. Born on September 22, 1935, he was a member of the Society for 17 years.

JOSEPH BLUM, professor emeritus, from Rockville, MD, died on April 10, 2002. Born on March 7, 1919, he was a member of the Society for 55 years.

FRANK E. BURK, professor, California State University, Chico, died on March 17, 2007. Born on September 29, 1942, he was a member of the Society for 13 years.

CHARLES A. CHAPMAN, professor, Cedar Crest College, Allentown, PA, died on May 28, 2006. Born on July 12, 1938, he was a member of the Society for 9 years.

GUSTAVE CHOQUET, professor, University of Paris VI, died on November 14, 2006. Born on March 1, 1915, he was a member of the Society for 58 years.

PAUL J. COHEN, professor, Stanford University, died on March 23, 2007. Born on April 2, 1934, he was a member of the Society for 51 years.

FOKKO DU CLOUX, professor, from Villeurbanne, France, died on November 10, 2006. Born on December 20, 1954, he was a member of the Society for 22 years.

JAMES EELLS, professor emeritus, from Cambridge, England, died on February 14, 2007. Born on October 25, 1926, he was a member of the Society for 57 years.

STEVE GALOVICH, professor, Lake Forest College, IL, died on December 14, 2006. He was a member of the Society for 37 years.

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CASPER GOFFMAN, professor emeritus, from West Lafayette, IN, died on September 25, 2006. Born on June 1, 1913, he was a member of the Society for 63 years.

HERBERT GREENBERG, professor, University of Denver, died on January 1, 2007. Born on November 28, 1921, he was a member of the Society for 65 years.

PETER L. HAMMER, professor, Rutgers University, Piscataway, died on December 27, 2006. Born in December 1936, he was a member of the Society for 36 years.

GISBERT HASENJAEGER, from Plettenberg, Germany, died on September 2, 2006. Born on June 1, 1919, he was a member of the Society for 41 years.

RALPH HENSTOCK, professor, University of Ulster, Ireland, died on January 6, 2007. Born on June 2, 1923, he was a member of the Society for 42 years.

ANTHONY HORSLEY, professor, London School of Economics, died on May 26, 2006. Born on April 5, 1939, he was a member of the Society for 19 years.

ISHAQ MURAD KHABAZA, retired, Queen Mary University of London, died on September 17, 2005. Born on May 30, 1928, he was a member of the Society for a few months.

ALEXANDER KHOURY, professor emeritus, from Ottawa, Canada, died on August 21, 2006. Born on January 30, 1933, he was a member of the Society for 40 years.

MARVIN J. KOHN, professor, Brooklyn College, CUNY, died on January 2, 2007. Born on January 1, 1944, he was a member of the Society for 39 years.

WLADYSLAW ELIOVICH LYANTSE, professor, Ivan Franko National University of Lviv, Ukraine, died on March 29, 2007. Born on November 19, 1920, he was a member of the Society for 11 years.

JOHN S. MACNAUGHTON, from Inverness, Scotland, died on February 9, 2006. Born on September 5, 1931, he was a member of the Society for 23 years.

MARVIN G. MOORE, professor emeritus, Bradley University, Peoria, IL, died on January 12, 2007. Born on December 8, 1908, he was a member of the Society for 69 years.

GERT H. MULLER, professor emeritus, University of Heidelberg, Germany, died on September 9, 2006. Born on May 29, 1923, he was a member of the Society for 39 years.

THERESA L. PODMELE, of Annandale, Virginia, died in December 1974. Born on September 22, 1898, she was a member of the Society for 38 years.

L. N. RAO GANDIKOTA, retired, from Nagpur, India, died on August 30, 2006. Born on November 4, 1928, he was a member of the Society for 26 years.

JACK ZEV REICHMAN, from West Hempstead, NY, died on December 25, 2006. Born on December 13, 1950, he was a member of the Society for 30 years.

JOHANN SCHROEDER, from Tensbuettel-Roest, Germany, died on January 3, 2007. Born on April 4, 1925, he was a member of the Society for 46 years.

THOMAS SIGMAN, from Berkeley, CA, died on January 3, 2007. He was a member of the Society for 8 years.

ELBRIDGE P. VANCE, retired, Oberlin College, died on February 18, 2007. Born on February 7, 1915, he was a member of the Society for 69 years.

OSWALD WYLER, professor emeritus, from Brunswick, ME, died on July 12, 2006. He was a member of the Society for 55 years.