## MAA MD-DC-VA Section Fall 2002 Meeting November 1 and 2 University of Maryland, College Park

**Saturday November 2, 2002** All events are in Mathematics building except plenary talks in Physics Building

Time	Location	Event
8:00 – noon	Rotunda	Registration and Refreshments
8:30 AM -	Rotunda	Book Displays and Sale
2:00 PM		
8:30 -	2300	Graduate Student Papers
10:30 AM		
8:30 - 8:50		Brooke Evans, American University
AM		Successful Techniques for Students with Learning Disabilities
8:55 - 9:15		Mieczyslaw K. Dabkowski, The George Washington University
AM		Counterexamples to some elementarily formulated conjectures
		in Knot Theory
9:20 - 9:40		By Salim Alam, Montgomery College, Rockville
AM		(Undergraduate talk)
		Series Approximation and Carleman's Inequality
9:45 –		Amit Trehan, University of MD, College Park
10:05 AM		Character Theory of Covering Groups
10:10 -		William May, The Johns Hopkins University
10:30 AM		Using Symmetry to Improve Percolation Threshold Bounds
8:30 -	2400	Graduate Student Papers
10:30 AM		
8:30 - 8:50		Richard Kollar, University of MD, College Park
AM		Slow damping of internal waves in a stably Stratified fluid
8:55 - 9:15		William Ott, University of MD, College Park
AM		Dimension Spectra of Attractors and Projection Theory
9:20 - 9:40		Bogdan Gavrea, University of MD, Baltimore County
AM		A Hadamard Type Inequality
9:45 –		Bashir M. Dweik, American University,
10:05 AM		Mixture of Erlang Distributions and Renewal Processes Based
		on Them
10:10 -		Ilhan M Izmirli, Strayer University
10:30 AM		Some Problems on Magic Squares, Difference Triangles and
		Permutations
8:30 - 8:50		Contributed papers1
AM		
	1308	Jerome Dancis, University of MD College Park
		Beware the pretend MD state Algebra test

	3206	Jennifer Bergner, Salisbury University
		Metaphor and Mathematics
	1313	George DeRise, Thomas Nelson Community College
		"God's Beautiful Mathematics
	0105	Geoffrey R. Goodson, Towson University
		Eigenvalue and Jordan Block Pairings Arising From
		Real and Skew-Symmetric Normal Matrices
	0106	Paul B. Massell, U.S. Census Bureau
		Two Algorithms for Solving the Cell Suppression Problem
8:55 - 9:15		Contributed papers 2
AM		
	1308	Ronald Minton, Roanoke College
		The Mathematics of Golf Drives
	3206	Homer Austin and Harel Barzilai, Salisbury University
		The ADEPT Program at Salisbury University
	1313	G. Edgar Parker, James Madison University
		Picard Iteration and Polynomial Projection
	0105	Richard Hammack, Randolph-Macon College
		An informal approach to formal inner products
	0106	Ezra Brown, Virginia Tech
		The Many Names of (7, 3, 1)
9:20 – 9:40 AM		Contributed papers 3
	1308	John Osoinach, Hampden-Sydney College
		Outwitting the Lying Oracle
	3206	Roman Sznajder, Bowie State University
		Hyperbolic Geometry Calculator
	1313	David Carothers, James Madison University
		Projective Polynomial and Analytic Function
	0105	Fozia S. Qazi, St. Mary's College of Maryland
		Some Thoughts on Teaching a Course on Mathematics of
		Finance
	0106	John Hanson, James Madison University
		A Look at Billiards
9:45 – 10:05 AM		Contributed papers 4
	1308	Dan Kalman, American University
		The Fibonacci Numbers-Exposed
	3206	Susan Schwartz Wildstrom, Walt Whitman High School
		Reading and Journals and Websites, Oh My!
	1313	James Sochacki, James Madison University
		Applying the Modified Picard Method in a Symbolic and
		Numeric Computing Environment
	0105	David Lindsay Roberts, Independent Scholar
		Simon Newcomb: Adventures of a nineteenth-century
		American mathematician in mathematics education

	0106	
10:10 -		Contributed papers 5
10:30 AM		
	1308	Ashvin Rajan, Loyola College in Md
		An expository account of Fermat's Last Theorem for
		Polynomials, and the abc conjecture
	3206	Eve Torrence and Bruce Torrence, Randolph-Macon College
		Fietsen, Dijken, en Wiskunde: A Sabbatical in Netherlands
	1313	Paul Warne, James Madison University
		The Modified Picard-Pade' Approximation Method for
		Singular Nonlinear Boundary Value Problems
	0105	
	0106	
9:45 -	1311	Panel for grad students
10:45 AM		The panel will consist of people who have recently
		been on the job market or who have recently hired someone and
		they will discuss ways to have a successful job search.
10:45 -	Physics	Welcoming Remarks: Dr. Steve Halperin
10:55 AM	1412	Dean of the College of Computer, Mathematics and Physical
		Sciences, University of Maryland at College Park
11:00 -	Physics	<b>Invited Address 2:</b> Roger Horn, University of Utah
11:50 AM	1412	Five Fundamental Facts in Matrix Analysis
Noon –	Rotunda	Lunch
1:00 PM		
1:05 - 1:55	Physics	<b>Invited Address 3:</b> Edward Scheinerman, The Johns Hopkins
PM	1412	University
		When Close Enough is Close Enough
2:00 - 2:10	Physics	Prize distribution
PM	1412	
2:15 - 3:00	Physics	Business Meeting
PM	1412	
2:00-3:00	1311	Project NExT Workshop: Dr. James Stith, American Institute
PM		of Physics
		"Challenging our Assumptions in Teaching." Open to
		national and Section NExT fellows.