

## OF A SINGLE SHEET

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CALENDAR

Tuesday, January 15.....ACM Club meeting, 1:00, K 355.
Thursday, January 17....Math Club meeting, 3:00, MG 338.
Tuesday, January 22.....Colloquium, David Witte, University of Chicago; time and location TBA.

WELCOME BACK!

I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season and a restfilled break! (So now you are all ready to jump back into the hectic school life, right?)

CHRISTMAS PARTY

I would like to thank Tammy Lehtinen and other Math and ACM Club members for hosting the annual Christmas party. I had a great time, and I'm sure many others did, also. If anyone didn't receive a gift from the famed Santa Claus at the party, notify Dr. James Rowell--he has connections with the gift-giver.

COMPUTER ROOM

Once again, we need proctors for MG 338A (Macintoch Computer Room). The sign-up sheet is posted on the computer-room door.

NORBERT WIENER

Norbert Wiener, for years a noted Professor of Mathematics at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, appears to have been a model of the eccentric, super-brainy, absentminded professor. Many stories have evolved to illustrate one or more of these characteristics. One day, in an undergraduate course, Professor Wiener's class asked him how to do a certain problem. He thought for a moment, then wrote the answer on the blackboard. The class was nonplussed, and finally a bold spirit asked, "But, Professor Wiener, is there any other way to do the problem?" The Professor thought again for a moment, then brightened up and said, "Why yes, there is another way." Then he wrote the same answer on the board. (Found in In Mathematical Circles, by Howard Eves.)

NEWSLETTER LOGO CONTEST

The UMD Department of Mathematical Sciences is planning to send an alumni newsletter to all former graduates. An attractive heading for the newsletter is needed, that is appropriate for the diverse collection of graduates. A \$25.00 cash award will be presented to the UMD student who designs and submits a printed copy of the best newsletter logo. All entries should be sent to Professor D. E. Anderson. Specific contest rules are posted throughout the department.

WANTED: MATH SKILLS TEACHING ASSISTANTS
Fall and Winter Quarters, the SSP Math Skills utilizes 10-12 Teaching Assistants in small-group and group and tutoring situations. This is an opportunity to learn about teaching, while growing in the ability to communicate mathematical ideas. Presently, SSP is taking applications from interested students and interviewing candidates prior to registration for the 3-credit training course (SSP 3001) Spring Quarter. If you have good communication skills, like working with people, and have math ability, see Dwight Morrison in Library 176 (726-6102) or call the SSP office for more information.

PROBLEM SECTION
Your Most Humble Problem Editor is on strike for more solutions.

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