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SPRING 2021 MEETING INFORMATION

The Spring Meeting of the Kansas Section of the MAA will be held online March 26-27, 2021. The schedule for the meeting will mirror previous KSMMA meetings with the first talks beginning Friday afternoon, Polya Lecturer Dr. Talithia Williams speaking that evening, and a virtual social gathering following. On Saturday morning we will have more contributed talks and an Invited Address from our MAA Board visitor, Dr. Hortensia Soto. We will then conclude with our business meeting.

The invited speaker for the meeting is Dr. Talithia Williams (Polya Lecturer). She is an Associate Professor of Mathematics at Harvey Mudd College, author of several books, and TED Talk speaker. More information on Dr. Williams can be found at <https://www.talithiawilliams.com/> and <https://www.hmc.edu/mathematics/people/faculty/talithia-williams/>.



The MAA Board visitor will be Dr. Hortensia Soto. Dr. Soto is a Professor of Mathematics at the University of Northern Colorado. She is the Associate Secretary of the MAA. More information on Dr. Soto can be found at <https://www.unco.edu/nhs/mathematical-sciences/faculty/soto.aspx> and <https://www.maa.org/about-maa/governance/board-governors/hortensia-soto-johnson>.

To register to participate in the meeting, please fill out the [Google Form](#). **Please complete the registration by 5:00 pm**

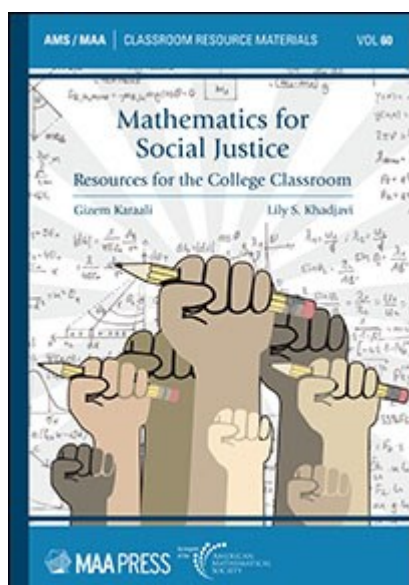
Thursday March 25 to ensure you receive the information to join before the meeting begins.

If you are interested in speaking “at” the conference, **the deadline is 5:00 pm on Friday March 12**. The second section of the form is where you will submit an abstract. We will be using Zoom for the main part of the meeting and Gather.Town for our Friday evening social.

2021 KANSAS COLLEGIATE MATH COMPETITION

The 15th Kansas Collegiate Math Competition will be a virtual competition to be held in conjunction with the KSMAA section meeting March 26-27th on Saturday. Information will be sent to coaches via email. More information about the competition, including past exams and solutions, can be found at <https://www.pittstate.edu/math/kansas-collegiate-mathematics-competition.html>.

RECENT MAA PRESS BOOK



Mathematics for Social Justice: Resources for the College Classroom

Mathematics for Social Justice offers a collection of resources for mathematics faculty interested in incorporating questions of social justice into their classrooms. The book begins with a series of essays from instructors experienced in integrating social justice themes into their pedagogy; these essays contain political and pedagogical motivations as well as nuts-and-bolts teaching advice. The heart of the book is a collection of fourteen classroom-tested modules featuring ready-to-use activities and investigations for the college mathematics classroom. The mathematical tools and techniques used are relevant to a wide variety of courses including college algebra, math for the liberal arts, calculus, differential equations, discrete mathematics, geometry, financial mathematics, and combinatorics. The social justice themes include human trafficking, income inequality, environmental justice, gerrymandering, voting methods, and access to education. Volume 2 is currently in press and expected soon. <https://bookstore.ams.org/clrm-60>

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MAA invites you to join the online community, MAA Connect. This MAA member benefit is designed for MAA members to connect, communicate, and collaborate with peers. This is a platform to share ideas, ask questions, and network.

You can log in to MAA Connect using your MAA membership username and password. The webpage at <https://connect.maa.org/home> provides more information on getting started and how to use MAA Connect. Use this information to set up your profile, or use the Getting Started instructions as you familiarize yourself with the platform.

Various communities are included in MAA Connect. For example, each MAA Special Interest Group (SIGMAA) has a community. In addition, each section has its own community. Visit the Kansas Section Community (Click on Communities and then My Communities) to post questions to members of the section, to view section announcements, or to peruse section newsletters.

NEW JOURNAL EULERIANA HAS LAUNCHED



We are proud to announce a new peer-reviewed journal, *Euleriana*, dedicated to the life and work of Leonhard Euler, with secondary foci on Euler's legacy and the wider world of scholarly work in the 18th century. See the journal's Aims and Scope (<https://scholarlycommons.pacific.edu/euleriana/aimsandscope.html>) for more information. The journal aims to be a leader in the expanding world of Euler scholarship.

Please peruse the contents of Volume 1, Issue 1, (<https://scholarlycommons.pacific.edu/euleriana>) just recently published. We hope you find something interesting and meaningful in its pages.

We'd love to hear from you for future issues! *Euleriana* is accepting submissions, including translations, historical and archival notes, and book reviews. Potential authors are encouraged to contact the editors (Erik R. Tou, etou@uw.edu, and Christopher Goff, cgoff@pacific.edu) to inquire about papers before submission.

To subscribe to the *Euleriana* mailing list, please visit the issue and click the blue Follow button.

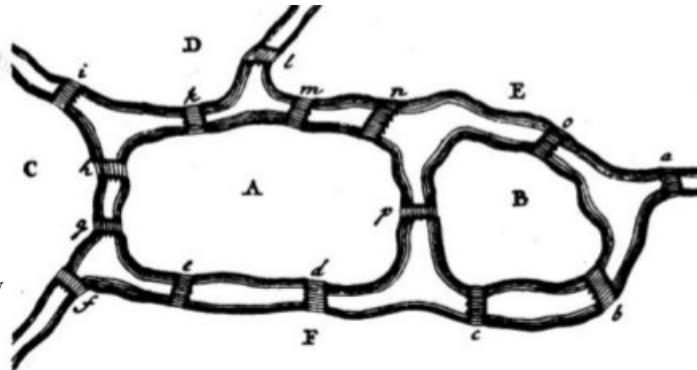
Thank you, and best wishes-

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The illustration of the Königsberg bridge problem from E53.



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KSMAA NEWSLETTER

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The newsletter can also be a forum for sharing news or disseminating information to other mathematics departments across the state. If your department has any news to be included in the KSMAA Newsletter, please send it to KSMAA Public Information Coordinator:

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