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President's Message

Greetings math folks!

Our 50th anniversary conference was one of my favorites! So much thought went into making it an awesome experience. Kyra Rider and conference coordinator, Rodger Hergert, put together a wonderful program and conference at Allerton. Kyra's coffee mug/water bottle craft allowed us all to express our inner nerd with fun stickers. Our entertaining keynote speakers, Robert Cappetta (Florida Southwestern State College) and Patrick Wilcher (Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College) gave us thought-provoking ideas for the classroom. And last, but certainly not least, congratulations to Jeremy Chamberlain (Harper College) for taking over as conference coordinator, a role that Rodger Hergert has deftly led for years.

A big thanks to Chris Riola (a former Past-President) for the time he spent in answering my many emails. I also want to extend sincere appreciation to all our officers and board members for your ongoing service and commitment. Welcome Chris Appuhn (Black Hawk College) as President-Elect! Kyra Rider (Kishwaukee College) will continue serving as Past-President. Amy Madden (Moraine Valley Community College) continuing as Treasurer, and Jacob Winters (Black Hawk College) continuing as Secretary. Our newest board members are:

- Jennifer Watkins (Shawnee Community College),
- Matthew Lee (Oakton College),
- Natalie McGathey (Prairie State College), who is finishing Joseph Craan's (Olive-Harvey College) current term. Joseph Craan will be starting a new three-year term this year.

Continuing their terms on the Board are:

- Matthew Childers (Heartland Community College),
- Peter Keep (Moraine Valley Community College),
- Brian Mercer (Parkland College),

Online Math ConneXion

The online version can be found at https://www.imacc.org

Deadline for Submissions:

Fall 2025- October 15
Winter 2025-January 15
Summer 2026-April 30

Submit items to: Ellen Field, Editor of The Math ConneXion
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Is Your Membership Current? **********

Be sure to check your membership expiration date listed on the IMACC website. If your membership has expired or is about to expire, you can use this form: https://www.imacc.org/members/member-registration to renew. In addition, if there are mathematics faculty at your college who are not members of IMACC, please invite them to join. Please take time to also check the Institutional Membership for your school.

- Peter Kay (Carl Sandburg College),
- Kyriakos Kypriotakis (Joliet Junior College).

I look forward to serving our Board with this great group of people.

Hope this summer brings you time for reflection, relaxation, and some travel.

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And the Awards Go To…

Awards Committee (Deanna Welsch):
Distinguished Service – **Vernon Kays,** Retired from Richland Community College
Lifetime Membership:
Amy Madden, Moraine Valley Community College
Robert Cappetta, Florida Southwestern State College
Roberta Christie, Shawnee Community College
Beverly Meyers, Jefferson College
Carol Anderson, Rock Valley College
Kelly Thannum, Illinois Central College

Congrats!!

Notification Needed

In an effort to cut down on the unnecessary mailing of paper copies, IMACC members wishing to continue receiving the *ConneXion* in hardcopy format, please email Ellen Field at ellenfield05@gmail.com (if you haven't already). If you would like to update your address or email address information, please go to the member's area on the IMACC website.

Institutional Members

College	Expires
Black Hawk College	2025
Carl Sandburg College	2025
College of DuPage	2024
College of Lake County	2025
Elgin Community College	2025
Harper College	2019
Heartland Community College	2025
Illinois Central College	2023
John A. Logan College	2017
John Wood Community College	2019
Joliet Junior College	2019
Kankakee Community College	2025
Kaskaskia College	2024
Kishwaukee College	2025
Lake Land College	2019
Lewis & Clark Community College	2025
Lincoln Land Community College	2021
McHenry Community College	2018
Moraine Valley Community College	2025
Morton College	2022
Oakton Community College	2024
Parkland College	2025
Prairie State College	2025
Rend Lake College	2018
Richland Community College	2018
Rock Valley College	2025
Shawnee Community College	2024
South Suburban College	2025
Southwestern Illinois College	2025
Triton College	2020
Waubonsee Community College	2025

Institutional membership is an important source of support for IMACC. If the year after your college's name is any time before 2025, your college needs to renew. If your college is not listed, you need to join! Talk to your department head or coordinator and make sure your college renews or joins.

Memories of IMACC's 50th Anniversary Conference

Photos by
Rodger Hergert

Memories of 2025 IMACC's 50th Anniversary Conference (Continued)

Upcoming Conferences

2025 AMATYC	November 13-16	Reno, NV
2026 IMACC	April 9-11	Monticello, IL
2026 AMATYC	November 19-22.	TBD
2027 IMACC	April 1-3	Monticello, IL
2027 AMATYC	November 11-14	Spokane, WA
2028 AMATYC	November 9-12.	Phoenix, AZ

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April 2025 Regional Touchpoints

- 2025 AMATYC Annual Conference
  - Reno, Nevada
  - November 13th - 16th, 2025
  - You can still serve a Presider! Here's more information.

- Project ACCCESS
  - If you're a new or recent mathematics faculty member teaching math in the first two years of college and are you passionate about making a difference in mathematics education, then Project ACCCESS is for YOU!
  - Project ACCCESS Fellows will attend the 2025 AMATYC Conference in Reno, Nevada, and the 2026 AMATYC Conference in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
  - For priority consideration, **applications** should be submitted by **April 15.** The final day to submit an application is April 30. Here's more information on eligibility and costs.

- **The Standards Team Needs You!**
  - Do you have an interest in:
    - *Student ownership,*
    - *Instruction,*
    - *Assessment, or*
    - *Professionalism?*
  - Please consider contributing your expertise as we continue to make these documents current!
  - **CONTACT: mark.earley@amatyc.org (Standards Team Chair)**

- **AMATYC Regional Scholarship**
  - ***What is it?*** The scholarship helps one AMATYC member from each region defray costs of attending the conference. One scholarship in the amount of a discounted conference registration will be awarded per region.
  - ***Who can apply?*** Any AMATYC regular member. AMATYC Leaders who receive support to attend the AMATYC Annual Conference cannot apply for this scholarship.
  - ***How many?*** Currently there is one scholarship available per region. Want more? Donate to the Regional Scholarship program through the AMATYC Foundation to support additional scholarships for the regions. Winners will be selected by the regional Vice Presidents by random drawing.
  - Click here for a notification when a link to submit is available.

A Final Word from our Past President

Thank you, friends, for making our 50th Anniversary Conference truly wonderful. Shout out to everyone who volunteered to lead concurrent sessions so that we had content. To Patrick, Bob, Jim Trefzger, John Bradburn and Derek (from Allerton) for fun and enlightening keynote sessions. To Tony for being master of the raffle and John for creating the Challenge Competition questions. (Congratulations to America for winning the competition.) Thanks to Mike for doing an airport run and Roberta for making sure I took a mind-clearing walk of the grounds before leaving on Saturday. Keven for making me play poker and providing bells (I'm sure everyone loved that I had 3 bells) To the Board and all the past presidents who provided emotional support and to Rodger Hergert who made sure we had places to sleep, equipment that worked, food (So. Much. Food), and photos of the entire event (and one of my bells). And my Kish peeps for keeping me caffeinated, on-time, and sane. Thank you all from the bottom of my heart.
Kyra

Full-Time Math Faculty Job Postings

Oakton College

https://oakton.interviewexchange.com/jobofferdetails.jsp;jsessionid=BE0CB23F5D7865DB183C2F809F8C26A2?JOBID=186752

Moraine Valley Community College

https://jobs.morainevalley.edu/postings/6388

Sauk Valley Community College

https://jobs.svcc.edu/postings/2186

Rock Valley College

https://rockvalleycollege.edu/about/employment/index

Is your school an institutional member for AMATYC? Institutional members can have their job posting information posted on the AMATYC job board as well. Please visit https://amatyc.org/page/JobBoardPostPolicy for more information about having your job posting placed on AMATYC's job board site.

The AMATYC job board can be found at https://amatyc.org/page/jobboard

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