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Awards to be presented during Tuesday's math meetings

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MISSOULA--

Six $100 awards for outstanding expository articles in mathematics will be presented at Tuesday's meeting of the Mathematical Association of America (MAA) at the University of Montana.

The awards are part of a week-long series of activities being conducted by the MAA, the American Mathematical Society (AMS), and Pi Mu Epsilon, a national mathematics honorary.

The awards, named in honor of Lester R. Ford, will be presented at the annual business meeting of the MAA at 10 a.m. in the University Center Ballroom.

Other activities Tuesday include:

--The beginning of two sets of colloquium lectures in the UC Ballroom by members of the AMS which will continue through Friday (Aug. 24). Guest speakers and their respective topics are Professor F. E. Browder, University of Chicago, "Nonlinear Functional Analysis and Its Applications to Nonlinear Partial Differential and Integral Equations," at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday (Aug. 21) and 9:45 a.m. Wednesday through Friday (Aug. 22-24); Professor E. A. Bishop, University of California at San Diego, "Schizophrenia in Contemporary Mathematics," at 2:45 p.m. Tuesday and 11 a.m. Wednesday through Friday.

--Pi Mu Epsilon will hold a banquet at 6:30 p.m. in the UC. Following the banquet, Professor Victor Klee, University of Washington, Seattle, will deliver a lecture at 8 p.m. in the UM Music Recital Hall, entitled "Some Unsolved Problems from Intuitive Geometry."

Don Loftsgaarden, UM mathematics professor and one of the coordinators of the meetings, said Klee will discuss some problems from elementary geometry which remain unsolved despite the efforts of many mathematicians, sometimes stretching over several decades. "The problems are striking in that, despite the fact that no one has been able to solve them, they can be understood with virtually no background in mathematics," Loftsgaarden noted.