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NOTICES

- IN MEMORIAM: PAUL ERDÖS. Paul Erdös died on September 20, 1996, while attending a mathematics meeting in Warsaw. He was born in 1913 in Hungary. One of the most prolific mathematicians in history, Erdös published more than 1500 papers. At last count he is said to have had more than 458 collaborators. His interests were very broad, but they concentrated especially in number theory and in discrete mathematics, a field which Erdös can be said to have founded as a subject in its own right. Of special interest to logicians is his work in set theoretic combinatorics, especially in Ramsey theory. Here as in the rest of his work he led the way by his own example and through a rich assortment of questions and problems that inspired countless others.
- IN MEMORIAM: RICHARD SYLVAN. The New Zealander and Australian philosopher Richard Sylvan died on June 26, 1996. Sylvan is perhaps best known for his articles with Meyer setting out a frame theory of relevant logic. He also did historical and reconstructive work on Meinong, work on other deviant logics, and work on environmental ethics. He held a position at the Research School of Social Sciences at The Australian National University.
- IN MEMORIAM: THOMAS TYMOCZKO, Professor of Philosophy at Smith College since 1971, died this past summer after a brief illness. Professor Tymoczko received his Ph.D. in 1971, and studied under Hao Wang, Michael Dummett, Philippa Foot, Burton Dreben, and Hilary Putnam. He was a moving force in post-foundational approaches to the philosophy of mathematics and made contributions to philosophy of mind, epistemology, and the philosophy of language. He edited the book *New Directions in the Philosophy of Mathematics* (1993).
- GEORGE BOOLOS MEMORIAL. A Symposium in honor of George Boolos, late President of the ASL, will be held at The Massachusetts Institute of Technology on the afternoon and evening of March 21, 1997, immediately prior to the ASL Annual Meeting (see below for information about the Annual Meeting, including hotel arrangements). The Program Committee for the Symposium consists of V. McGee and R. Stalnaker. MIT has established a scholarship fund in the memory of George Boolos, for the benefit of graduate students in philosophy at MIT. Contributions may be made to MIT and earmarked for the George Boolos Memorial Scholarship Fund. Checks should be made payable to MIT, noting the name of George Boolos on the memo line. They should be sent to the Office of the Treasurer, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 238 Main Street, Suite 200, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02142.
- ASL HOME PAGE. The ASL has the beginnings of a home page on the World Wide Web. At the moment it provides a large number of meeting notices and other announcements, with substantially more detailed information than can be published in these Notices pages. There is also a link to the directory containing PostScript files of all articles that have appeared in *The Bulletin for Symbolic Logic*. The announcements pages will be kept up to date, with items added monthly. This Web site will be expanded during the coming months, adding items such as information on how to join the ASL, book discounts for ASL members, links to other Web sites of interest to the logic community, etc. The ASL Web site is located at the URL `http://www.math.uiuc.edu/~asl/`. Please send comments or suggestions to the ASL business office `asl@math.uiuc.edu`.
- THE 1996–97 ASL ANNUAL MEETING. *March 22–25, 1997, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Massachusetts.* The Program Committee consists of S. Friedman, Chair,

P. Cholak, W. Goldfarb, G. Mints, and A. Pillay. The Chair of the local organizing committee is S. Friedman. The Eighth Annual Gödel Lecture will be given at this meeting by S. Feferman. Invited speakers include J. Baldwin, T. Carlson, J. Cummings, R. Downey, G. Hjorth, M. Lerman, W. Sieg, S. Starchenko, and L. van den Dries. The ASL will provide modest travel grants to support graduate students in logic. See the application instructions below. The deadline for applications for the Annual Meeting is January 17, 1997. Abstracts of contributed papers from ASL members (300 words, one-page limit) should be sent by the deadline of January 17, 1997, to the Program Chair: S. Friedman, Department of Mathematics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02139; email: `sdf@math.mit.edu`.

- Hotel Information for the 1996–97 ASL Annual Meeting at MIT. The following hotels have reserved blocks of rooms for those who are attending the Annual Meeting: The Boston Marriott Cambridge, which is within a short walking distance of the meeting location at MIT ($120, single or double, 617-494-6600 or 800-228-9290); and The Holiday Inn Select, Boston, which is one subway stop on the Boston side of the Charles River, about 10 minutes from MIT ($112, single or double, 617-742-7630). For both these hotels, the ASL office will facilitate roommate arrangements (send email to `asl@math.uiuc.edu`, containing arrival and departure dates). A small number of rooms are also being held at the Irving House Bed and Breakfast, which is within walking distance of MIT ($100 single/$60 with shared bath, 617-547-4600). For all these hotels, be sure to mention that you will be attending the ASL Annual Meeting to receive the quoted rates. All room blocks are limited in number and will be released for general sale by February 1. Note that some rooms are being held at the Boston Marriott Cambridge for the evening of Thursday, March 20, 1997, for those who wish to attend the George Boolos Memorial Symposium on March 21.

- Student Travel Grants: The 1996-97 Annual Meeting and the 1997 European Summer Meeting. The ASL will again make available modest travel grants to graduate students in logic, so that they may attend the 1996-97 ASL Annual Meeting at MIT in Cambridge, Massachusetts, or the 1997 ASL European Summer Meeting in Leeds, England. To be considered for a Student Travel Grant, please (1) send a letter of application, and (2) ask your supervisor to send a brief recommendation letter. The application letter should be brief (one page) and should include (1) your name, (2) your home institution, (3) your supervisor's name, (4) a one-paragraph description of your studies in logic, and (5) your estimate of the travel expenses you will incur. (Only modest grants will be possible, partially covering travel costs and perhaps some of the living expenses during the meeting.) For the 1996-97 Annual Meeting, they should be sent by the deadline of January 17, 1997, to Professor S. Friedman, Mathematics Department, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02139; email: `sdf@math.mit.edu`. For the 1997 European Summer Meeting, they should be sent by the deadline of April 6, 1997, to Professor S. Wainer, Logic Colloquium '97, School of Mathematics, University of Leeds, Leeds LS2 9JT, United Kingdom; email: `pmt6ssw@amsta.leeds.ac.uk`. For both meetings email is allowed, in fact encouraged.

- The 1997 ASL European Summer Meeting. *July 6–13, 1997, University of Leeds, Leeds, England.* The Program Committee consists of S. Buss, S. B. Cooper, W. Hodges, M. Hyland, A. H. Lachlan, A. Louveau, Y. Moschovakis, L. Pacholski, H. Schwichtenberg, T. Slaman, J. Truss, and H. Woodin. The local organizing committee consists of S. B. Cooper, J. Derrick. F. Drake, B. Herwig, H. D. Macpherson, A. Slomson, J. Truss, and S. Wainer (Chair). Topics will include computability theory, model theory, proof theory, set theory, and philosophy and psychology of proof. Short course lectures will be given by R. Shore, A. Wilkie, M. Rathjen, and J. Steel. Plenary lectures will be given by P. Benacerraf, U. Berger, L. van den Dries, S. Goncharov, R. Jensen, N. Jones, B. Kim, J. Knight, I. Neeman, L. Newelski, J. van Oosten,

D. Over, P. Pudlak, L. Rips, G. Sacks, R. Soare, S. Solecki, and L. Wallen. Special sessions will be chaired by K. Ambos-Spies and S. Lempp (Computability Theory), A. Pillay (Model Theory), H. Schwichtenberg and G. Jäger (Proof Theory), and Set Theory (S. Friedman). The conference fee will be 110 UKPounds before April 6, 1997, and 140 UKPounds thereafter. Accredited students will be charged half-fee. The ASL will provide modest travel grants to support graduate students in logic. See the application instructions above. The deadline for applications for the Leeds meeting is April 6, 1997. A registration form will be available in February, 1997, but those wishing to register now may do so immediately. All participants will be housed at special rates in Devonshire Hall, a well-appointed student residence about 1 km away from the university campus where all lectures will take place. Accommodation consists mainly of single study-bedrooms. Approximate costs will be 22 UKPounds for bed and breakfast per night in a "standard" room (shared bath), or 32 UKPounds in a "superior" room (private bath). To include all meals (lunch and dinner) add 20 UKPounds per day. Abstracts of contributed papers (300 words, one-page limit) should be sent by the deadline of April 6, 1997, to Professor S. Wainer at the address below; email: `pmt6ssw@amsta.leeds.ac.uk`. Early registration and requests for information should be sent to: Logic Colloquium '97, School of Mathematics, University of Leeds, Leeds LS2 9JT, United Kingdom; email: `logic97@amsta.leeds.ac.uk`.

- The Twelfth Annual Symposium on Logic in Computer Science (LICS'97). *June 29–July 2, 1997, Warsaw, Poland.* Further information may be obtained from the LICS Publicity Chair: Leonid Libkin, Bell Labs, Lucent Technologies, 600-700 Mountain Avenue, Murray Hill, New Jersey 07974; email: `lics-request@research.bell-labs.com`; as well as from the LICS Web site at `http://www.bell-labs.com/topic/conferences/lics/` and using anonymous ftp at `ftp.research.bell-labs.com/dist/lics/`. (ASL sponsored meeting.)

- 1997 Annual Conference of the Australasian Association for Logic. *July 4–6, 1997, University of Auckland, New Zealand.* The 1997 AAL conference is being organized by the Philosophy Department of the University of Auckland, as part of Philfest 97, which includes three other conferences (Women in Philosophy; Australasian Association for Philosophy; and Australasian Association for the History, Philosophy, and Social Studies of Science). For general information on Philfest, contact: Philosophy Department, University of Auckland, Private Bag 92019, Auckland, New Zealand; telephone: +64 9 3737 599 ext. 7491; Fax: +64 9 3737 408. If you are interested in attending these meetings, reading a paper, or being put on a mailing list, please send your name and address either to Philfest 97 Secretary at the address above or to the email address `philfest@auckland.ac.nz`. The AAL conference is being organized by R. Girle, Philosophy Department, University of Auckland, Auckland, New Zealand; telephone: +64 9 3737 599 ext. 5072; Fax: +64 9 3737 408; email: `r.girle@auckland.ac.nz`. (ASL sponsored meeting.)

- Request for unpublished material by David Hilbert. A multi-volume edition of lecture notes and other unpublished material by David Hilbert is being prepared. The edition is focused on the foundations of mathematics and the natural sciences. The editorial group consists of W. Ewald (Philadelphia), M. Hallett (Montreal), R. Haubrich (Göttingen), U. Majer (Göttingen), and W. Sieg (Pittsburgh). The project is supported by the Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft. The editors are searching for any relevant information on oral reports, handwritten, typewritten, or printed material (e.g., letters, lecture notes, notes on talks, biographical notices) concerning Hilbert's activities. The editors would be most grateful if such information could be provided to: Hilbert-Edition, c/o Dr. Ralf Haubrich, Institut fúr Wissenschaftsgeschichte, Universität Göttingen, Humboldtallee 11, 37073 Göttingen, Germany; email: `rhaubri@gwdg.de`; telephone: +49 551 39 8117; Fax: +49 551 39 9748; WWW: `http://www.gwdg.de/~uhwg/Hilbert-Edition.html`.

- Position in Logic at Carnegie Mellon University. The CMU Philosophy Department announces a tenure-track position at the Assistant/untenured Associate Professor rank beginning Autumn 1997. The area of specialization is logic and computability theory; candidates should have an excellent computer science background. Applications should be sent to: Logic Search Committee, Department of Philosophy, CMU, Pittsburgh, PA 15213. Applications will be accepted until January 15, but those received and complete by December 16, 1996 will be assured of the most careful consideration. CMU is an Equal Opportunity Employer, and the department strongly encourages women and minority candidates to apply. Candidates should include with their application a statement of research interests, a sample of written work, curriculum vitae, and evidence of teaching performance. Candidates should ask at least three referees to send confidential letters directly to the Department. Full information about the position and the department is available at the department's Website: `http://hss.cmu.edu/html/departments/philosophy/philosophy.html`.

- Calendar of Other Meetings. Full information about these meetings and other meetings of interest to logicians is available at the ASL Web Site `http://www.math.uiuc.edu/~asl/` by following the "Other Meetings" path.

  February 3–4, 1997. The Australasian Theory Symposium (CATS'97). Macquarie University, Sydney, Australia.

  March 2–5, 1997. Special Conference on Logical Methods for Computational Intelligence. Research Triangle Park, North Carolina.

  March 17–21, 1997. Workshop on the Model Theory of Analytic Functions. The Fields Institute, Toronto, Canada.

  March 23–26, 1997. Mathematical Foundations of Programming Semantics (MFPS XIII). Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

  March 28–30, 1997. Sixth Annual Boise Extravaganza in Set Theory. Boise, Idaho.

  April 14–18, 1997. Seventh International Joint Conference on the Theory and Practice of Software Development (TAPSOFT'97). Lille, France.

  April 17, 1997. Colloquium: From Frege to Wittgenstein. Boston University.

  May 10–11, 1997. Fourth International Workshop on Temporal Representation and Reasoning (TIME-97). Daytona Beach, Florida.

  May 12–15, 1997. Symposium on Principles of Database Systems (PODS'97). Tucson, Arizona.

  May 13–16, 1997. International Conference on Analytic Tableaux and Related Methods (TABLEAUX'97). Abbaye des Prémontrés, Pont-á-Mousson, France.

  May or June 1997. The Fourth "Franco-touranian" Model Theory Conference. CIRM, in Marseille-Luminy, France.

  June 2–4, 1997. 8th International Conference on Rewriting Techniques and Applications (RTA-97). Sitges, Barcelona, Spain.

  June 22–25, 1997. Conference on Computer-Aided Verification (CAV'97). Haifa, Israel.

  July 7–11, 1997. 24th International Colloquium on Automata, Languages, and Programming (ICALP'97). Bologna, Italy.

  July 13–17, 1997. CADE-14: 14th International Conference on Automated Deduction. Townsville, Australia.

  August 10–16, 1997. 20th International Wittgenstein Symposium. Kirchberg, Lower Austria.

  August 25–29, 1997. 5th Kurt Gödel Colloquium (KGC'97). Vienna, Austria.