

## NOTICES

- **THE 2003 ASL ELECTION.** The ASL membership has elected Alexander Kechris (Caltech) as President, Samuel R. Buss (UC San Diego) as Vice President, Albert Visser (Utrecht) and Alex J. Wilkie (Oxford) to the Executive Committee, and Sergey S. Goncharov (Novosibirsk) and Gerhard Jäger (Bern) to the Council. Their terms of office are for three years beginning January 1, 2004. The Nominating Committee consisted of Martin Grohe, David Marker, Donald A. Martin (Chair), Yiannis Moschovakis, Charles Parsons, Wolfram Pohlers, Theodore Slaman, and Scott Weinstein.
- **2004 SACKS PRIZE.** The ASL invites nominations for the 2004 Sacks Prize for the most outstanding doctoral dissertation in mathematical logic. Nominations must be received by September 30, 2004.

The Sacks Prize was established to honor Professor Gerald Sacks of MIT and Harvard for his unique contribution to mathematical logic, particularly as adviser to a large number of excellent Ph.D. students. The Prize was first awarded in 1994 and became an ASL Prize in 1999. The Fund on which the Prize is based is now administered by the ASL and the selection of the recipient is made by the ASL Committee on Prizes and Awards. The Sacks Prize will consist of a cash award plus five years free membership in the ASL. For general information about the Prize, visit <http://www.aslonline.org/info-prizes.html>.

Last year the Association made several changes to the application procedure, and some additional changes under consideration may be made in the coming months. Anyone who wishes to make a nomination for the 2004 Sacks Prize should consult the webpage [http://www.aslonline.org/Sacks\\_nominations.html](http://www.aslonline.org/Sacks_nominations.html) for the precise details of the application process. A brief summary of the procedure currently in place is provided below.

Students who defend their dissertations (equivalent to the American doctoral dissertation) between October 1, 2003, and September 30, 2004, are eligible for the Prize this year. This is an international prize, with no restriction on the nationality of the candidate or the university where the doctorate is granted. Nominations should be made by the thesis adviser, and consist of: name of student, title and 1–2 page description of dissertation, date and location where the doctorate was awarded, letter of recommendation from the adviser, and an electronic copy of the thesis in .ps form, or the address of a web site from which an electronic copy in .ps, .dvi, or .pdf form can be downloaded. An independent second letter of recommendation is strongly encouraged. Nominations should be sent to the Committee Chair, Rod Downey; TeX or PostScript files sent as attachments by email to [Rod.downey@vuw.ac.nz](mailto:Rod.downey@vuw.ac.nz) are preferred. The form of such letters and other pertinent details can be found at the web site above, and need to be read prior to submitting a nomination. Correspondence should be addressed to Rod Downey, School of Mathematical and Computing Sciences, Victoria University, PO Box 600, Wellington, New Zealand.

Those wishing to contribute to the Sacks Prize Fund may send contributions to the ASL office (ASL, Box 742, Vassar College, 124 Raymond Avenue, Poughkeepsie, New York 12604). All such contributions are tax-deductible within the USA.

- **REDUCED DUES FOR INDIVIDUALS AND INSTITUTIONS IN DEVELOPING ECONOMIES.** The ASL recently approved a program to offer reduced dues for individual and institutional members in developing economies. For 2004, the reduced dues are \$18 for individuals and \$130 for institutional members. These dues apply to individuals and institutions residing in countries whose economies are classified as ‘lower middle income’ or below on the World Bank’s annual