

NEWS

The sudden death of Dr. J.J. McMahon in September shocked the Irish mathematical community. Dr. McMahon was formerly Professor of Mathematics at Maynooth, and also spent some years teaching in Africa. His most recent position was at Thomond College Limerick, and he was currently on the committee of the Irish Mathematical Society.

Dr. Richard Aron is at present on leave of absence from T.C.D. He is spending the 1981-82 academic year at Kent State University.

Dr. J. Dudziak (Indiana) is replacing Richard Aron at T.C.D. for 1981-82. His field of interest is Spectral Theory and Functional Analysis.

Dr. M. Klimek has taken up a Dept. of Education Post-Doctoral position at T.C.D. Dr. Klimek is from Krakov (Poland) and works in Potential Theory.

Professor Sean Tobin (U.C.G.) is spending the academic year 1981-82 at the University of Freiburg (Germany).

Dr. Gareth Thomas (Bristol) has joined the Mathematical Physics Dept. at U.C.C. Dr. Thomas works in Fluid Mechanics.

Dr. Gordon Lessells has taken up a position at N.I.H.E. (Limerick). His field of interest is Analysis. Last year, Dr. Lessells was at U.C.C.

Dr. Michael Clancy has joined the Mathematics Department at N.I.H.E. (Dublin).

Mr. Paul Barry has joined the staff of the Regional Technical College, Waterford.

Dr. Ralph Saxton has left U.C.D. Mathematical Physics Dept. to take up a position at Brunel University, London.

Dr. David Reynolds has joined the Mathematical Physics Dept. at U.C.D. His field of research is Continuum Mechanics.

Dr. Brian Smyth (Notre Dame) and Dr. Benedict Seifert (I.H.E.S., Paris) have joined the Mathematics Department at U.C.D. Dr. Smyth works in Differential Geometry and Dr. Seifert works in Group Representations.

Dr. Kasia Woloszynska (Warsaw) is spending the year at U.C.D. Mathematical Physics Dept. Dr. Woloszynska works in Continuum Mechanics, and is on an N.B.S.T. Fellowship. Dr. Emmanuel Buffet (Paris) and Dr. Grainne O'Brien have taken up Department of Education Post-Doctoral Fellowships. Dr. Buffet works in Statistical Mechanics and Dr. O'Brien in General Relativity.

Dr. Norman Fenton (Sheffield) has taken up a Department of Education Post-Doctoral Fellowship at U.C.D. Mathematics Department. His field of research is Matroids and Commutative Algebra.

Professors T.J. Laffey (U.C.D.) and A.G. O'Farrell (Maynooth) were elected to membership of the Royal Irish Academy in March.

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