

**The Humboldt State University Department of Mathematics
presents**

*The 52nd Harry S. Kieval Lecture***

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Thursday, April 17, 2008

7:00 P.M.

Natural Resources 101

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Editorial Director of MAA Books

**“INTERVIEWING
MATHEMATICAL PEOPLE:
Why? Who? How?”**

Donald Albers has interviewed more than 80 prominent mathematical people over the last thirty years. The first fifty interviews were published in two books, *Mathematical People*, and *More Mathematical People*. He and G.L.Alexanderson are currently assembling the next two volumes. He will reveal why he started interviewing prominent mathematical people, how he prepares for interviews, how to deal with unexpected responses, and who have been some of his more interesting subjects.

****A lecture on some popular and/or broad aspects of mathematics attractive to undergraduates and the public
For More Information go to: <http://www.humboldt.edu/~mathdept/HarrySKieval/kl.html>**

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MATHEMATICS DEPARTMENT COLLOQUIUM

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April 17, 2008 4:00P.M.

NR 101

Pre-Colloquium Tea

BSS 3rd Floor Open Area

3:30 P.M.

"A New Calculus"

Some relatively unknown elementary geometrical methods dating back only fifty years enable novice mathematics students to solve several ferociously difficult calculus problems, including many well beyond students of advanced calculus. In the space of fifty minutes, you, too, will learn methods that will dazzle your mathematical friends.

Biographical Background

Don Albers recently completed a fifteen year stint in Washington, DC as Director of Publications and Associate Executive Director of the MAA. In late 2006 he returned to his California home where he serves as Editorial Director of the MAA's book program, and is a visiting scholar at Santa Clara University. He is a past editor of the College Mathematics Journal (CMJ) and the founding editor of Math Horizons, a magazine for undergraduates. As editor of the CMJ, he pioneered interviews with prominent mathematical people, which led to the publication of Mathematical People and More Mathematical People. His special interests include complex variables, baseball, astronomy, and hiking in the mountains and canyons of the Southwest.