

2017 Herb Gross Presidential Awards Announced



Keven Dockter receiving award from Jane Tanner, President

Keven Dockter and the AMATYC Office Staff were recognized with Herb Gross Presidential Awards at the AMATYC Annual Conference in San Diego. The award recognizes exceptional service to AMATYC and to the mathematics education profession.

Keven was the Local Events Coordinator for the 2007 New Orleans Conference held in Minneapolis.

He did such a great job that he became the Conference Coordinator shortly thereafter. He shadowed Margie Hobbs for a year but, as he tells the story, her version of shadowing was putting him directly into the line of fire immediately.

AMATYC is extremely grateful to have Keven as conference coordinator as he is a skillful negotiator, working with hotels, convention centers, and visitor bureaus. He will have served as conference coordinator for ten years when he completes his second term this year. He could have a job with any event management company as he is that good. Everyone at AMATYC knows that and appreciates all that he does to make the conference a success.

Keven's college, Anoka-Ramsey CC, has recognized his award at www.anokaramsey.edu/news/math-instructor-honored-with-prestigious-award-at-national-conference/.

The **AMATYC Office Staff** was also recognized with the presidential award. They are **Beverly Vance**, Office Director; **Christy Hunsucker**, Accounting Director; **Christine Shott**, Publications Director; and **Linda Ragland**, Technical Clerk. Together these women have nearly 63 years of service to AMATYC.

Each brings a special set of skills that allow for the smooth running of the day-to-day operations of the office. The team eagerly has worked on using technology to automate many procedures thus increasing productivity.

Each member of our office staff says that a favorite part of their job is to come to the annual conference to see members who attend every year as well as making new friends. Even though preparing for and attending the conference is a hectic

time for them, their collective enthusiasm ensures that all in attendance have a great experience.

After moving to Memphis from Tuscaloosa, AL, Beverly started working part-time for AMATYC and then became the Office Director full-time in 1998. In this role she is responsible for the membership database management and reporting as well as general office operations.

Starting as a student worker while she attended Southwest Tennessee CC, Christy has been with AMATYC over 24 years. After graduating in 1995, she became a full-time employee responsible for all of the financial operations of the organization as well as assisting with the office's conference tasks.

Christine has been with AMATYC over 18 years and is responsible for the production – typesetting, layout, and printing – of the *AMATYC News*, the conference publications, and assorted documents and flyers. She also assists with the office's conference tasks and preparations for the Spring Board Meeting.

Linda has been AMATYC's Technical Clerk for a little more than a year. Her duties include many office administrative and clerical duties such as answering phones, processing mail and payments, producing monthly reports, preparing correspondence, and filing.

Beverly, Christy, Christine and Linda are dedicated colleagues who are an important part of our AMATYC family.



The AMATYC Office (L to R): Christy Hunsucker, Beverly Vance, Linda Ragland, and Christine Shott