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Cost-Effectiveness Essay Contest

The need for creative research on important national problems has never been more widely recognized. Currently each of the major agencies of government is being stimulated to analyze its missions, to derive more meaningful methods for measuring its potential effectiveness, and to relate such measures with their resource implications.

The possibilities for exciting research in these areas are virtually unlimited. It becomes increasingly apparent each day that the systematic analysis of issues and strategies and the body of techniques necessary for decisionmaking, would be benefitted by the results of further methodological research.

One of the primary objectives of the Operations Research Society of America is to help stimulate research of high quality and articles suitable for publication in these fields. Therefore, the Cost-Effectiveness Section is again sponsoring its annual essay contest. This year the topic will be *Methodology for Measurement of Effectiveness*. Papers should include an illustration of proposed effectiveness (benefit, utility) measurement methods to a given field; for example: (a) research and development, (b) foreign affairs, or (c) education, urban development or transportation. A premium will be placed on the comprehensiveness, explicitness and potential operational feasibility of the techniques suggested. Applications to various governmental levels are welcome.

Researchers, analysts, academicians and practitioners are invited to submit papers. First and second prizes of \$200 and \$100, respectively, will be awarded.

Judges for the contest will be The Honorable William Gorham, Assistant Secretary for Program Coordination, Department of Health, Education and Welfare; Dr. John R. Meyer, Professor of Economics, Harvard University; and Dr. Edward J. Quade, Head, Mathematics Department, The RAND Corporation.

Articles should be typed double-spaced on 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 11" white bond and should be submitted in 4 copies. They should be sent to Cost-Effectiveness Essay Contest, c/o Frederick S. Pardee, The RAND Corporation, 1700 Main Street, Santa Monica, California 90406, and must arrive not later than 10 September 1967 (or bear a postmark prior to 1 September).

Contest results will be announced in November and prizes presented at the national meeting of ORSA.

ONR Awards Announced

The Office of Naval Research (ONR) has announced the award of six post-doctoral research associateships in mathematics for the academic year 1967-68. These awards were made upon the recommendation of the Committee on Mathematics Advisory to the ONR, a committee of the Division of Mathematical Sciences, National Academy of Sciences—National Research Council. The

recipients, their fields of research, and the institutions making the appointments are listed below:

DOUGLAS N. CLARK, Functional analysis and Hilbert space, University of Wisconsin

WILLIAM J. FRASCELLA, Combinatorial set-theory, University of California, Los Angeles

ROY Y-W LEE, Asymptotic analysis of solutions of differential equations, University of Minnesota

HAROLD M. STARK, Analytic number theory, University of Michigan

EDGAR L. STOUT, Analysis, University of Washington

RAYMOND Y-T WONG, Topology, University of Washington

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